

Russians Tighten  
Vise On Znamenka

LONDON (CP)—Russian forces, cutting through broken German lines in the Dnieper bend, have captured 15 more strongly fortified strongholds, twisting their vise clamped on the railway hub of Znamenka, Moscow announced tonight.

One of the towns was the railway station of Mederovo, marking a six-mile advance from Sharovka, which was captured Wednesday, and moving a vanguard to within 10 miles of Znamenka.

The great German counter-attack against the Kiev bulge made no headway today.

## Hockey Canceled

Visit of Currie army hockey players of Calgary to Victoria and Vancouver has been cancelled, Capt. Harry Mighon, Pacific Command sports officer, announced today. The team was to have played two games in Vancouver and two in Victoria.

## Boost Railroad Pay

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate this afternoon voted approval of an 8-cent hourly wage increase for 1,100,000 non-operating railroad workers, disregarding a warning from James F. Byrnes, war mobilization director, that the action would crack the Roosevelt administration's anti-inflation line.

The chamber adopted the resolution by a vote of 74-4. The pay proposal now goes to the House of Representatives.

## Pioneer Dies

VANCOUVER (CP)—Mrs. Margaret Frederickson, 86, one of the oldest Victoria pioneers, died today. She was born in the old Hudson Bay fort at Vancouver, Wash., and moved to Victoria with her parents in 1861. She came to Vancouver in 1904.

## Bonuses Legal

OTTAWA (CP)—Christmas bonuses are still legal under the government's new wage control order—providing they do not exceed \$25. The order provides "no employer shall make any gratuitous payment or other gift of any kind whatsoever having a pecuniary value, other than a monetary Christmas gift not in excess of \$25."

## Roosevelt to Britain?

LONDON (CP)—The Daily Herald today said there is a strong feeling in London that President Roosevelt may "come here before American troops leave these shores." His visit would be to participate in the final planning of invasion of Europe from the west, the paper said.

Nazis Say Canadians  
Replace British 78th

LONDON (CP)—Karl Praeger, D.N.B. war correspondent at the German front in Italy, said today the Canadian 1st Division has replaced the British 78th Division on the 8th Army's sector. His dispatch, which lacked confirmation, was broadcast and recorded by Reuters.

## Bomb Load Raised

LONDON (AP)—The deadly punch of the already formidable Flying Fortress has been increased by 2,000 pounds of high explosives, while both Fortresses and the Liberators now bristle with additional defensive guns.

The new bomb racks mean some sacrifice in range and speed, but these possibilities suggest themselves:

1. Short range, preinvasion assaults with great loads of explosives, carried out under the protection of fighter escort for approximately 350 miles inland.
2. Mass night saturation raiding with the R.A.F. and R.C.A.F.

## 3 Smokes Each Day

NEW YORK (AP)—The Berlin radio today said German cigarette production is as great as ever but the cigarette ration for civilians has had to be cut to "three a day." "The reason for the reduced ration," said the broadcast, "is that 50 per cent of all production goes to the fighting services because smoking soars under mental strain."

Sinatra Punctured  
In Left Ear Drum

NEWARK, N.J. (AP)—Women and girls can continue to swoon happily for the U.S. army today declared Frankie (The Voice) Sinatra 4-F physically, unfit for military service.

Expressing disappointment, the crooner himself announced the outcome of his selective service pre-induction examination today at the Newark induction station here.

"I've got a hole in my left ear drum," said Sinatra.

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Eyewitness Information  
Out of Germany Indicates  
No Internal Crack-Up Near

By HENRY J. TAYLOR

LISBON (By Wireless)—With a German airline operating daily between Berlin and Lisbon, using 32-passenger, four-engine, hostess-equipped Junker 50's, it is easy to talk here with plenty of responsible travelers fresh out of Germany.

Again, as always, the myth that conditions in Germany are unknown beyond its borders is exploded. Actually, here and elsewhere there is more eyewitness information about Germany than there is about France or the Low Countries, or even Russia.

## LAST WINTER, HOWEVER

As on previous visits to Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Spain and Portugal, I have conducted a last-minute survey among people who have been in Germany within the last week.

Question: Who sees a crackup in Germany immediately, or this winter?

Answer: Nobody.

Without exception, however, both Germans and the travelers of other nationalities whom I have seen agree now that this is the last winter of the war. The Germans all feel that the fight will be carried through this winter, and that in the spring there may actually be some revival in the Reich as the buds pop and the fields grow green.

## POISON GAS UNLIKELY

Regarding the prospects of poison gas raids on the British Isles, it is significant that gas masks are not yet available for civilians in Berlin, which indicates that the Nazis are still unprepared for reprisals. Accordingly, the British Isles should rest easy until the danger signal—that is, until masks are distributed in Berlin.

## JAP EMBASSY BLITZED

Question: How does Berlin look?

Answer: The distinguished baroness wife of the Swedish minister here, John B. Fris, who was here on her way from Stockholm via Germany to England, told me that the French, British and Dutch embassies had all disappeared—blacked-out. She also had the additional fascinating news that the Japanese embassy had disappeared the same way with heavy loss of life.

## OVERCROWDING

Chief problem of existence for Berliners is not that of food, which is better than many have supposed. The real disheartening derives from the congested doubling-up of eight or 10 strangers in a small flat, with migration out of the city unfeasible.

Question: What is the chief

civilian shortage in Germany at this moment?

Answer: Unanimously, fats and oils, as in the last war, and transportation.

Here are two big surprises: the clothing situation is not bad, and there is temporarily an unexpectedly large supply of leather goods, including shoes, due to the killing off of herds in the Low Countries, because of the lack of fodder. Otherwise everything goes to the army, which is still fed, well-clothed and well-shod, as are also the bureaucrats, who still live on the fat of the land—as at Marshal Goering's Karen Hall.

## COMMUNIST AFTER HITLER

Question: What about Hitler? I get all kinds of answers to that one. Talkative Germans here predict that he will be succeeded by some German Communist leader—if not by Stalin himself—and they hope we get there first.

Ordinary Germans whom I canvassed, including women and youngsters, seem dazed at the cost of Hitler's defensive struggle. For that is the way they have always regarded the war, as they think Hitler is trying the best he can to keep out the ferocious Bolsheviks. Therefore the ordinary Germans don't feel as swindled by Hitler as we have imagined they might. They put the blame on the poor minds around him. In feeling sorry for themselves, they somehow feel sorry for Hitler, too; surprising as that is to you and me.

Their escape mechanism, it appears from my conversations, is their conviction that the Bolsheviks are boring from within, which preserves the German vanity nicely.

## 'MISCONCEPTIONS'

In conclusion, I find five ridiculous misconceptions among the Germans:

1. That their missing U-boats are so busy sinking our ships they have no time to come home.
2. That President Roosevelt is so sick his sons are now in charge of our army and navy.
3. That Stalin has been at the White House twice, incognito, to plead for aid for tottering Russia.
4. That the British censorship is blacking out a vast Arab war in the Middle East which is keeping 1,000,000 Tommies occupied.
5. That the Japanese have so crippled the American fleet in the past week that they can now joyride to Pearl Harbor, and that thereafter, in due time, nothing can stop them from an attack on the American mainland and the Panama Canal—at which time Argentina will declare war on the United States and lead a Latin American march against us gringos.

## Victoria Queues Up



Count on waiting in line if candies are on your Christmas list. Queues grow longer and longer before downtown chocolate shops, some of them open for only one hour each day.



Curtailment of fancy cakes, pastries, doesn't deter Victoria housewives. Queues begin before 9 o'clock opening of this cake shop, typical of others now running four days a week.

Allies Hold Edge  
In Rugged Battle  
For Rome Road

By EDWARD KENNEDY

ALGIERS (AP)—British troops have stormed and taken a ridge near captured Mount San Croce, 2½ miles southwest of the summit of Mount Camino, and are pressing on toward the Garigliano River a mile beyond. Allied headquarters announced today.

Fifth Army troops, pushing down the western slopes of Mount Camino, where they have breached the mountain walls to the valley leading to Rome, wiped out all by-passed enemy pockets except on the northwestern tip of the Magliore incline and the village of Rocca d'Evandro, nestled against Camino.

Farther to the northeast, U.S. troops attacked and captured high ground west of Venafro, despite fierce resistance supported by heavy German artillery fire, and still farther north wiping out lines of Nazi pillboxes west of Filignano, in the westward push across the mountain backbone flanking Cassino.

## CHECK COUNTERBLOWS

In the Venafro area the Germans launched several sharp counterattacks, but the Americans prevented them from having conclusive results.

Gen. Montgomery's 8th Army fought through downpours to improve its positions in the Orsogna area, 10 miles inland from the Adriatic, where both sides used tanks in clashes throughout Wednesday. Prisoners were captured from a German Alpine unit operating in the mountain areas.

An A.R.F. regiment is operating in this area and has advanced to within eight miles of Pescara, the Adriatic terminus of the transpeninsula highway to Rome. A Morocco radio broadcast said the 8th Army had reached the suburbs of Ortona, about eight miles south of Pescara.

An R.A.F. regiment is operating in armored cars at the front in order to get quickly to enemy planes shot down, and thus obtain valuable information.

713 Canadian Die,  
2,625 Wounded In  
Sicily, Italy War

OTTAWA (CP)—Deaths among Canadian army personnel in the Mediterranean war theatre from July 10 to Nov. 23 numbered 713, with the grand total of casualties 3,533, defence headquarters announced today. The period covers the campaign in Sicily in July and the advance from the toe of Italy.

Altogether the wounded total 2,625 and missing 195.

Chinese Come Back,  
Retake Changteh

CHUNGKING (AP)—The Chinese high command announced in a special communique today that Chinese forces had recaptured the strategically important city of Changteh in Hunan province, which fell to the Japanese Dec. 3 after many days of bloody fighting.

The victorious Chinese stroke provided another decisive turn in the bitter battles in which China's vast and important "rice bowl" area is a major prize.

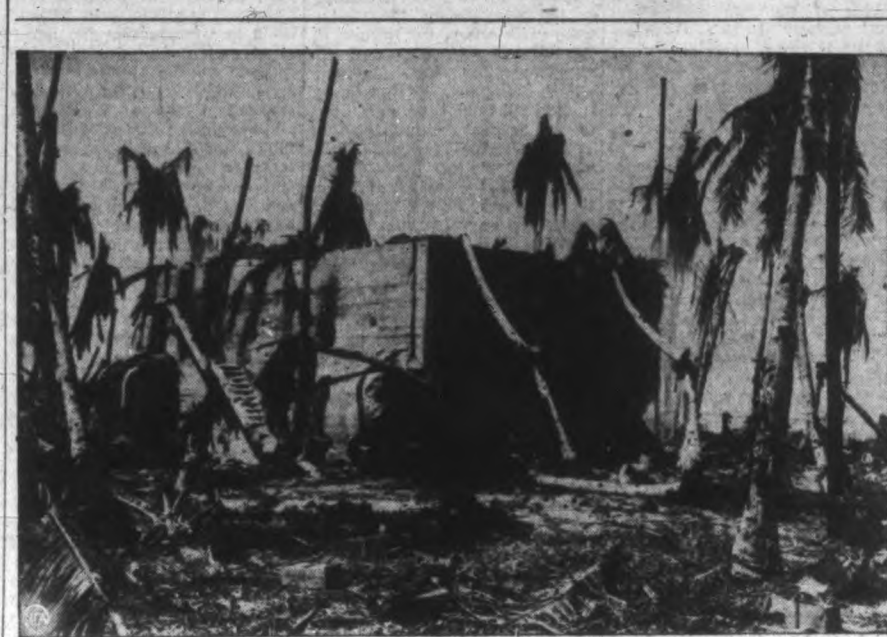
Victoria Barbers Watch  
Winnipeg Price Jump

Victoria Price Board officials raised their eyebrows at the announcement from Winnipeg today that barbers in that city have decided to increase their charge 15 cents over the basic amount established by government ruling two years ago.

"On and after Dec. 20, haircuts for adults will be 50 cents," said Carl Allenback, secretary of the Manitoba Master Barbers' Association, Wednesday.

His announcement followed advice from the association's secretary that barbering is not covered by the regulations of the Price Board.

"That remains to be seen," commented J. A. Green, secretary of the Victoria Barbers' Union. "Meanwhile Victoria barbers will continue to charge a maximum price of 50 cents, the amount set down by government ruling two years ago."

Nazis Rush Troops  
To Turkish Border

THIS WAS A JAP FORT ON TARAWA—Blockhouses such as this were responsible for the heavy toll paid by U.S. Marines fighting in the Gilbert Islands. The size of the fort, built of heavy concrete and reinforced by steel rails, can be judged by the wrecked enemy tank, centre. Note how trees were shattered by the bombardment.

New Wage Control Order Makes Boosts  
Or Cuts Possible If Injustices Shown

OTTAWA (CP)—Labor Minister Mitchell today made public a revised wage control order, providing for incorporation of the cost-of-living bonus in basic wages, and altering the method of handling wage adjustments, with a view to tighter stabilization of the cost of living.

Employers are required to have rates of pay adjusted in accordance with the new order from the first payroll period commencing on or after Feb. 15, 1944.

As forecast by Prime Minister King in his radio address last Saturday night, the order bases future wage adjustments on rectification of "gross inequality or gross injustice." Coupled with that is the ability of the employer to pay an increase without raising prices.

"Similar provisions are made with regard to wage decreases," the Labor Minister's statement said.

Previously, wages might be increased if they were found to be low, as compared with those "generally prevailing for the same, or substantially similar, jobs" in the same, or a comparable locality. That procedure no longer is necessary.

The order provides that every employer is required to establish basic wage rates for his employees by including in existing authorized wage rates the amount of the existing authorized cost-of-living bonus.

In order to secure uniformity of practice, the national board is given closer supervision over the regional war labor boards, which are required to report all their decisions and directions to the national board for review.

The national board is required to review decisions and directions of regional boards and may "of its own initiative" vary or revoke such decisions or directions.

Any person interested in any decision or direction of a regional board may appeal to the national board, if leave is granted by the regional or national board.

The national board may authorize or direct an employer to increase a wage rate established under the new order only "if and to the extent that the national board finds that such increased rate or range is necessary to rectify a gross inequality or a gross injustice, and is also consistent with the ability of the employer to pay the increase in cost to which such increase may give rise in the business or industry in which the rate or range

is to be paid, without increasing the price of the product therefrom or of the services rendered therein."

The national board may direct an employer to decrease a single rate of the rates within a range established by him under the order only "if and to the extent that the national board finds that the rate or range is so high that it is unsound or causes gross inequalities."

Not to Increase  
Cost of Production

The national board may direct an employer to introduce or extend an incentive-wage system in the place of or to be paid in conjunction with a time-wage system for any occupational classification where the board considers that such action is practicable and that it will increase the volume or quality of production without increasing the employer's cost of production per unit.

Without direction from the national board, an employer may increase a wage rate paid to an employee established at any time by power conferred under provincial minimum-wage legislation, if such minimum rate is not more than 35 cents an hour, or such higher rate per hour established for such an employee under the legislation of Nov. 15, 1941.

The order provides "more rigid" penalties for both employers and employees for violation or evasion of its provisions, Mr. Mitchell said.

Any employer who causes a lockout of his employees to deter or prevent employees making an application to a War Labor Board constituted under the order, or who fails to comply with directions given under the order, is liable to a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$5,000, or to imprisonment for not less than one month or more than one year, or to both fine and imprisonment. Each payment of wages to an employee in contravention of the order will constitute a separate offence.

Burden of Proof  
On Employer

In any prosecution under the order concerning the payment of wages by an employer, the burden of proof that the payment was in accordance with the order will be on the accused.

Every employer who discharges, threatens to discharge, or discriminates against an employee who has given any information to a war labor board on wages or rates, or has taken part in an application to a board, is liable to similar penalties, provided it will be a good defence if it proved the actions complained of were not concerned with any application to a board.

Every employee who strikes to obtain an increase in wage rates established under the order, to secure an alteration in employment terms which would increase the rate, or for the purpose of ob-

taining a direction from a war labor board or influencing its decision, will be liable to a fine of not less than \$25 and not more than \$100, or to imprisonment for not less than one month or more than three months, or both such fine and imprisonment, in respect of each day in which he participates in a strike. No fine of more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for a term of more than one year may be imposed.

When an employee is prosecuted under the strike clause, the burden of proof that such strike was not in contravention of the order's provisions will be on him. This provision will not deprive the employee of the benefit of any reasonable doubt which may exist after all the evidence has been heard.

To Prevent Strikes  
During Inquiries

The provisions apply to an employee who goes on strike or takes part in a strike notwithstanding that an industrial disputes inquiry commission or a board of conciliation has been established to inquire into the dispute and irrespective of whether such commission or board has made a report.

The order says that any person who incites, encourages or aids any employee to omit any requirements of the order, or incites, encourages or aids any employee to go on or continue on strike in contravention of the order, will be liable to a fine of not more than \$2,000 or to imprisonment for not more than one year, or both fine and imprisonment.

No prosecution may be commenced except with the consent in writing of the Labor Minister.

The order provides that the Minister of National Revenue may disallow as an abnormal expense the amount of any wages found to have been paid in contravention of the new wage order.

## Robbers Take Butter

VANCOUVER (CP)—Thieves stole 500 pounds of butter from the National Dairies Ltd. in Vancouver early today.

## Colwood Golf Club for Sick Airmen

Taking over Royal Colwood Golf Clubhouse for use as a convalescent home for reconditioning R.C.A.F. personnel was considered today by a special committee presided over by E. B. Winslow and attended by Denman, of Hamilton, secretary of Wartime Convalescent Homes War Charity Fund Inc.

Under the proposal, Wartime Convalescent Homes plans to take over Royal Colwood clubhouse for the duration of the war, assuming such fixed carrying charges as taxes and insurance premiums. The property would then be turned over at a nominal sum per year to the Royal Canadian Air Force which would staff and maintain the property.

Canadian Forces  
Hinted As Part  
Of Balkan Attack

STOCKHOLM (AP)—Turkey and Germany have stationed troops along the opposite sides of the Turkish border facing Bulgaria and Greece, a state of emergency has been declared along the boundary, and all traffic has been halted, reports from Berne, Switzerland, and Sofia, Bulgaria, said today.

Dispatches said the border measures had been ordered as nervousness over a possible Allied invasion mounted throughout the Balkans.

The newspaper Svenska Dagbladet's Berne correspondent said the possibility was not being overlooked of a German invasion of European Turkey to reach the Dardanelles, in view of reports that the Allies have promised increased assistance to Russia by way of the Dardanelles.

He quoted reports from Ankara and a Sofia dispatch from the Southeastern Europe Information Bureau that the state of emergency had been declared along the border.

2 Nazi Divisions  
On Bulgarian Border

The Svenska Dagbladet correspondent said a strong detachment of Turkish troops had taken up positions along the entire border, and that two German divisions had been moved up to the Bulgarian border against any attempted Allied invasion through Turkey.

Other Berne reports said there was tense expectancy throughout southeastern Europe that Turkey would take a more active part in the war.

Large supplies of weapons, and hundreds of planes, were reported to have reached Turkey recently.

(The German-controlled Vichy radio claimed today that Gen. Hassim Gunduz, assistant chief of the Turkish general staff, had been replaced by Gen. Klazim Orbay.

(By the Vichy account, Marshal Chakmak, chief of the general staff, would be retired Dec. 31 because of the age limit.

(Orbay recently has been in charge of re-equipping the Turkish army with British arms. He made an extended stay in Britain in 1939 as head of a Turkish military mission.)

Canadians Likely  
Invasion Force

By ROSS MUNRO  
LONDON (CP)—Allied invasion of the Balkans, which may be one dramatic development of the Cairo conference between Prime Minister Churchill, President Roosevelt and President Inonu of Turkey, could involve troops from the central Mediterranean forces, including Canadians now in Italy in considerable strength.

Even if Turkey does not enter the war, one phase of a Balkan attack could be made from Italy because it is only about 100 miles across the Adriatic to the Yugoslav coast. This would be a feasible night run for invasion craft.

Practically all the Canadian forces in Italy are highly trained in invasion operations and there are several British divisions in the central Mediterranean skilled in assault from the sea.

It would be made available for a large number of R.C.A.F. men who have seen active service on the air fronts and are in need of normalizing and reconditioning so that they may be put back into the fight without unnecessary delay.

With the development of the plan at Colwood, prefabricated housing would be erected to amplify the existing buildings to take care of any required number of men.

In a convalescent home of this type, it is stated, there are no bed cases. The airmen are kept actively employed at various crafts. The strain of operational flying is worked off by healthful, physical exercise.



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### Non-Partisans Win in Vancouver

VANCOUVER (CP)—The 1944 Vancouver city council will be 100 per cent made up of representatives of the Non-partisan Committee, which made a clean sweep in the civic election Wednesday, repeating its success of the previous year.

The balloting saw the Non-partisan Committee elect four aldermen, four nominees to the school board and three to the parks board. A year ago four Non-partisans were elected to the city council, five to the school board and three to the parks board, where the C.C.F. scored its lone success, electing one member.

The C.C.F. had a full quota of candidates Wednesday. There was one trades union representative committee candidate for the city council, Harold Pritchett, who nosed out two independents who ran last and second last.

Non-partisan aldermen re-elected are H. L. Corey, George Buscombe, Charles Jones and Jack Price. The continuing members of the council, all elected last year for two-year terms, are Mayor J. W. Cornett and Aldermen John Bennett, W. D. Greyell, G. C. Miller and G. H. Worthington.

Elected to the school board: Mrs. Ada Crump, James Blackwood, Alan G. Fellows and Elmore Meredith.

Parks board: R. Rowe Holland, George Thompson and Don C. Brown.

Hubert Lethaby was named president of the Capital City Building Society following reelection of the following board of directors: H. G. Allan, A. T. Hunkin, J. V. Johnson, A. E. Mallett and Mr. Lethaby. Gifford M. Irwin drew a loan for \$3,000.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Albertans will enjoy a pleasant evening by attending association annual meeting next Tuesday night, Crystal Garden. Hear address on Alaska Highway; have good lunch; listen to good music. All Albertans welcome.

**Christmas Party, Juvenile Musical Arts, Dec. 11, 2.30 p.m., Truth Centre, Fort Street.** Refreshments, games. Children welcome.

**First United Spiritualist Church bazaar, winning numbers:** Pillow-slips, 93; chicken dinner, 217; chesterfield set, 237; manicure set, 5780.

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## What Kind of British Commonwealth After War? Smuts and Mackenzie King Take Opposite Sides

By NORMAN M. MACLEOD  
OTTAWA—A dramatic contest is forecast here between Prime Minister Jan Christian Smuts of South Africa and Prime Minister Mackenzie King of Canada to mould the postwar course of the British Empire.

The issue, as observers here see it, is raised by Smuts' speech to the Empire Parliamentary Association in London and by earlier speeches of Prime Minister John Curtin of Australia, in which of the two alternatives the postwar British Commonwealth is to be, namely:

(1) Is it to be—as favored by Messrs. Smuts and Curtin and as presumably preferred by the United Kingdom authorities themselves—a closely-welded Empire that will pool its defence resources and support a blanket foreign policy in a world in which power politics conceivably will rule for a time at least?

(2) Or is it to be—as favored by Prime Minister Mackenzie King—a loose federation of sovereign Commonwealth states, sympathetically united by adherence to common democratic aims, but each pursuing its own foreign and military policy without any domination by or commitment to the policy of any central Empire authority?

### LIBERALLY FORCED ISSUE

That is the major postwar issue which the British peoples face, in the opinion of informed observers here. The fact that it has been brought out into the open by the wide publicity from London given the speech of Prime Minister Smuts to the Empire Parliamentary Association is viewed here as deliberate at this time.

For it is pointed out that, as a matter of practice, addresses to the Empire Parliamentary Association are never given press publicity, but are always off-the-record affairs. The departure from the rule in the case of the Smuts speech is held, accordingly, to indicate an agreement to give it publicity at this time by the

Empire interests favorable to the viewpoint to which it gives expression.

### AUSTRALIA CHANGES MIND

There is nothing new in Field Marshal Smuts being the advocate of a strong, closely-welded Empire. As far back as the 'imperial' Conference of 1923 he was the strong protagonist of such a policy, but he could not win sufficient support for his views and the conference followed the road which led, at the 1926 conference, to the adoption of the resolutions upon which the Statute of Westminster—the charter of full autonomy for the Commonwealth Dominions—was based. It is recalled here as significant in the present situation that Prime Minister Mackenzie King was one of the individuals chiefly responsible for the Statute of Westminster. He was supported in his advocacy by Australia.

In the intervening years, however, times have changed—although Prime Minister King's opinion remains the same. Australia, especially, has changed its view since its narrow escape from Japanese aggression after Pearl Harbor. Recent speeches by Prime Minister Curtin have been interpreted here as now strongly supporting Prime Minister Smuts' views.

### WEAKENED BRITAIN AFTER WAR

Prime Minister Smuts, for his part, has indicated that he believes that the stand which he consistently has taken is bolstered now by arguments which are unassailable. In his address to the British Parliamentary Association he spoke frankly of a weakened Britain emerging from the present war, and of a powerful Russia which would not only dominate a Europe from which Germany, France, and Italy would have disappeared as great power, but would also bestride an Asia from which its traditional rival and check-power Japan would have been eliminated.

Smuts' realistic argument, as it is understood here, is that in the era of power politics into

which the postwar world is heading, and in the light of the factors which already can be discerned as certain to dominate it, the British Empire can only hold its own if it pools its resources and adopts a strongly-centralized policy—and if Britain seeks as well to attract to her the smaller powers that will be left in western Europe.

### CANADA'S STATUS RAISED

Prime Minister King, for his part, is regarded here as still unwavering from the view he held when he was fighting the battle of successive Imperial conferences to win the Statute of Westminster. Only recently he has elevated Canada's Washington Minister to the Status of Ambassador, and has forecast similar action in the cases of the Dominion's ministers to Russia, China, and Brazil. By this course he has placed Canadian diplomatic relations with these nations on a level with British diplomatic relations. At the time of his announcement of the raising of the status of Canada's Washington minister, he explained to press conferences that one of the objects of the move was "to prevent any possible confusion in any one's mind" as to the possible subordinate status of Canadian diplomacy.

### DOMINATION—NEVER AGAIN

More recently, at a private meeting which he addressed of the Ontario management committee of the Liberal Party, he is reported to have given assurance that "never again will Canadian foreign policy be dominated by the policy of any other country."

The issue is regarded here as clearly drawn between Field Marshal Smuts and Mr. King. The interest of the moment is to see how quickly the Smuts' policy will secure reflection in the domestic policies of the Dominion. It is in full accord with historic Conservative Party traditions, and there is keen expectation to see the course which present Progressive Conservative Leader John Bracken will take.

## No Bigger Coffee, Tea Ration For Canadian Consumers

OTTAWA (CP)—Prices Board announces there is no "early prospect" of suspending or increasing the tea and coffee ration.

(Rations of tea and coffee were increased one-third Sept. 2, bringing them to 2½ ounces of tea and 5½ ounces of coffee weekly per person. Previously they had stood at 1 ounce of tea and 4 ounces of coffee weekly per person.)

The board says the ration will remain at the higher level, which has "fully absorbed" the larger supply that it has been able to arrange for.

"No increase in stocks on hand has been possible and these are below the normal level of pre-war days," the announcement says.

R. T. Mohan, administrator of tea and coffee, said coffee consumption now is at the rate of 54,000,000 pounds a year—or 28 per cent above prewar levels.

"The fact is," Mr. Mohan continued, "that we are buying coffee to the full extent of our 1943-44 allocation of shipping, and that is barely enough to meet the prevailing rate of consumption."

Tea is currently being consumed in Canada at the rate of 30,000,000 pounds a year. While this is 25 per cent below prewar levels, it is the maximum allocation provided for Canada by the British Ministry of Foods, the announcement said.

(When the Prices Board announced the one-third increase in tea and coffee rations, Mr. Mohan said it was hoped that by Christmas he might be able to announce the suspension of rationing of these products, but that this depended on the shipping and stockpile situation.)

"The situation is under continuous review and whenever conditions warrant the ration will be increased or removed," Mr. Mohan said.

## Conservatives Say CBC Board 'Steeped in Politics'

OTTAWA (CP)—Ross M. Brown, director of public relations for the Progressive Conservative Party, said in a statement issued on behalf of the party Wednesday night that the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's board of governors is "so obviously steeped in politics that it is unable to define the word 'political' without embarrassing itself."

The statement was issued following an announcement by the CBC that its decision not to broadcast a Friday night speech from Hamilton by John Bracken, national leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, was "not a case of censorship but of acceptance of broadcast material in compliance with the stated policy of the CBC."

"Dr. Augustin Frigon, acting general manager, is authority for the statement that the board of governors has expressed the opinion that an opportunity should be afforded to leaders of the various political parties to speak to the people," said Mr. Brown's statement.

"At the same time, Dr. Frigon says they must not be political in their talks."

"It would require the politics of a governor of the CBC to straddle the conditions thus imposed on Mr. Bracken or any other political leader who was not subservient to the Liberal machine."

"The CBC statement on the matter denies censorship, but the facts of the matter are that they would have permitted the broadcast of Mr. Bracken's speech if he were prepared to delete all criticism of the government or other parties."

### ACCOUNT OF STEWARDSHIP

In its statement Wednesday the CBC said the Progressive Conservative application for time on the air had stated that, "On this occasion, Mr. Bracken will deliver an account of his stewardship as leader for the past year and outline his plans for the future."

"With this understanding of the nature of Mr. Bracken's address, the CBC tentatively set aside one-half hour, 7 to 7.30 p.m., E.D.T., Friday, Dec. 10, on the network to broadcast Mr. Bracken's address. As the Progressive Conservative Party apparently could not see their way clear to confine the content of the broadcast portion of Mr. Bracken's address to the lines laid down in their original application to the CBC, the arrangements were not proceeded with."

"This is not a case of censorship, but of acceptance of broadcast material in compliance with the stated policy of the CBC."

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Divorcee, Eligible For Draft, Fined \$25  
NANAIMO—Twelve men, caught without registration cards by R.C.M.P. officers in a roundup here Wednesday, were each fined \$5 and costs when they appeared in Police Court.

Joseph B. Graham, who had been divorced since his original registration, thus becoming eligible for the military draft, was fined \$25 and turned over to the military authorities. The same fate awaited Harold E. Sparks, who had not registered a change of address.

### Veteran Physician Of Parksville Dies

NANAIMO—Resident physician at Parksville for the last eight years, Dr. R. S. Elliott died in Nanaimo Wednesday. A graduate of Western University, London, Ont., he came to B.C. 43 years ago, living in Coburn for 17 years.

He is survived by his wife, two sons, George in the R.C.A.F., and Walter, in the R.C.N., and one daughter, Betty, public health nurse, at Dawson Creek.

### Saanich Election Meetings

MONDAY, Dec. 13, 1943—Ward 1—C.C.F. Hall, Richmond Rd. Ward 2—Gordon Head School TUESDAY, Dec. 14, 1943—Ward 3—Royal Oak Community Hall Ward 4—Kestring Temperance Hall WEDNESDAY, Dec. 15, 1943—Ward 5—St. Mark's Hall Ward 6—Marigold Hall THURSDAY, Dec. 16, 1943—Ward 7—Hampton Hall All Meetings Are Scheduled to Commence at 8 p.m.

## Victoria 'Y' Man Active in Sicily

George Gordon, well-known in sports circles and in connection with "Y" activities in Victoria before going overseas nearly two years ago, is one of 44 Y.M.C.A. men operating in the Mediterranean area.

Mr. Gordon, accompanied by a small staff, recently proceeded with over 1,000 cases of supplies and equipment to establish bases and advanced canteens for the four services operating in this war-territory. The Y.M.C.A. as well as the Canadian Legion, Knights of Columbus and the Salvation Army have units in the Sicily and Italian theatres.

As president of the Victoria Basketball League and the B.C. Basketball Association, Mr. Gordon took an active interest in sports development in the city. He was originally associated with the Navy at Brydon House, and later with the Y.M.C.A. at Macaulay Point. His wife lives at 1587 Hillside Avenue.

A report from Ritchie McCoy, senior supervisor to the First Canadian Division, indicates that in the initial stages in the battle for Sicily, supervisors for the Y.M.C.A. carried on a great variety of duties while the assault on the island was in full swing, acting as quartermasters, liaison officer and conducting

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**BY-LAW No. 698**  
A BY-LAW FOR THE HOLDING OF A REFERENDUM ON THE QUESTION OF GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICES

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the District of Saanich enacts as follows:

(1) It shall be lawful for the Returning Officer appointed to preside at the Saanich Municipal Elections, December, 1943, to hold at the same time and place a referendum on the question of Garbage Collection Services.

(2) The form of the ballot shall be as follows:

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF SAANICH**  
**Referendum on Garbage Collection 1943**

Are you in favor of the Municipality instituting a Garbage Collection Service, to be paid for by the owners of improved properties in those areas affected?

YES
NO

Mark Your Ballot With an "X"

(3) The votes shall be taken in all respects by the same persons and at the same times and places as the elections for Reeve and Councillors, to be held December 13, 1943.

(4) Notice of the referendum shall be given by posting copies of this By-law in a public place in each Ward and by publishing at least ten days before the election and not less than five times in a daily newspaper circulating in the Municipality.

(5) This By-law may be cited for all purposes as the "Garbage Collection Referendum By-law, 1943."

Passed the Municipal Council the 6th day of December, 1943.

WILFRED A. GREENE, Clerk to the Municipal Council

E. C. WARREN, Reeve

## B.C. Agricultural Products Worth \$73,748,235 In Year

B.C. Agricultural production last year was worth \$73,748,235, highest on record and 26 per cent above that of 1941, according to the annual statistical report released today by the agriculture department.

Increases are recorded in revenue from farm animals, poultry and eggs, dairy produce, fruits and vegetables, field crops, honey, wool, fur farming and seeds.

Total value of agricultural imports is given as \$29,768,518, an increase of 31 per cent over 1941. Value of exports last year was

\$14,380,765, an increase of 23.4 per cent.

The B.C. vegetable crop in 1942 amounted to 84,265 tons, valued at \$4,476,383, an increase of 10.3 per cent in volume and 30.4 per cent in value.

Dairy production is valued at \$17,662,371, an increase in a year of 8.9 per cent.

Value of farm livestock a year ago was \$27,010,000, an increase of 19.8 per cent over 1941. Fruit tree production value was \$12,209,696, an increase of 46.2 per cent.

Farm poultry was valued at \$3,030,000, an increase of 27.3 per cent.

Island when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, has been solved with word that Drew Henry Foss, the pilot, is a prisoner of the Japanese. His family received the notification through the International Red Cross. Nothing was said of the five others of the crew.

### 'Doc' Gilday Dies

MONTREAL (CP)—Major Frederick W. Gilday, 70, widely known figure in Montreal sports circles for many years and former alderman, died Wednesday night after a short illness.

"Doc" Gilday—as he was known in the sports world—took an active part in many sport activities here, notably lacrosse, football and hockey. He was a member of the R.C.A.M.C. and a veteran of the last war.

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Benzo Almond Cream—16-oz.	89¢
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Bath Salts	1.35
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## Smuts Sees Victory By Christmas, 1944

CAIRO (AP)—The greatest news of the three historic Allied conferences has yet to unfold, Field Marshal Jan C. Smuts declared here, asserting that what the world doesn't know about the meetings is more important than what it has been told.

Smuts, Premier of the Union of South Africa and a member of the British War Cabinet, called the meetings "the most significant conferences for 100 years," and asserted they achieved "unanimity far exceeding our expectations."

He expressed hope for victory by Christmas of next year, but warned that "very heavy work lies ahead of us, with fierce fighting."

Prime Minister Smuts, addressing a press conference of some 70 war correspondents, declared the Allied meetings had averted the danger that Britain, the United States and Russia might win the war without achieving the absolute co-operation necessary for winning the peace.

He urged newsmen not to pry into the secrets of the meetings. "You are on a knife edge," Smuts said. "A word dropped on the wrong side might cause great harm. By your silence now you are helping to victory."

## Turkeys Now Brought Under Ceiling Prices

OTTAWA (CP)—The Prices Board, in an order effective today, has brought under ceiling prices live turkeys, geese and ducks—now approaching the peak of their marketing season. Maximum prices had previously been fixed for live chickens and other fowl.

The order sets out maximum wholesale prices per pound at which producers or wholesalers may sell live birds in the packing period in December in each of four zones in Canada.

For turkeys this is 31½ cents in the Maritime Provinces and northern Quebec; 31 cents in Ontario, other parts of Quebec and British Columbia; 29 cents in Manitoba and Alberta, and 28½ cents in Saskatchewan. For old tom turkeys the ceiling is 4 cents a pound lower in each case.

For live geese the ceilings are 21½ cents per pound in the Maritimes, 21 cents in Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia, 19 cents in Manitoba and Alberta, and 18½ cents in Saskatchewan. Maximum prices for live ducks are 2 cents a pound higher than those for live geese.

## Canada's Honor Roll R.C.A.F.

**KILLED**  
FS. Gordon William Fordyce, Belleville, Ont.; Sgt. John James MacGillivray, Vancouver, B.C.; FS. John Angus Earl Munroe, Winnipeg, Man.; Sgt. Reginald Milton McEachern, Regina, Sask.

**MISSING**  
FS. Stanley Martin Kent, Fort Erie, Ont.

**PRISONER OF WAR**  
FO. Lawrence Eugene Aspinall, Toronto, Ont.

**PRESUMED DEAD**  
Sgt. Eric Alexander Allen, Cloverdale, B.C.; FO. Leslie John Ashburner, St. Catharines, Ont.; Sgt. Leo Joseph Baribeau, Dorchester, Sask.; FS. Gordon Harold Bartman, Hanna, Alta.; Sgt. William Bodley, Vancouver, B.C.; FS. Leo Ralph Crowe, Vancouver, B.C.; Sgt. Robert Chrysler Ferguson, Port Dover, Ont.; Sgt. Harold Walter Fill, Kamloops, B.C.; FL. Allen Myrick Hill, North Vancouver, B.C.; FL. William Thomas Johnstone, Calgary, Alta.; Sgt. Louis Krulicki, Kitchener, Ont.; Sgt. Emmett Jay Longstaff, Indianapolis, Ind.; Sgt. Ronald Maxford Mayberry, Red Deer, Alta.; Sgt. Joseph Hector Paquin, Rollet, Temiscamingue County, Que.; Sgt. Arthur Esmond Prime, Carleton Place, Ont.; FS. Joseph Michael Regal, Griffin, Sask.; FO. Max Shvemar, Montreal, Que.; Sgt. William Marshall Spafford, Belleville, Ont.; WO. Alfred Gordon Turner, Abernethy, Sask.

**KILLED**  
LAC. Frederick William Ball, Windsor, Ont.; FO. Albert John Reginald Knights, Kingsbury, London, Eng.

**PRESUMED DEAD**  
Sgt. John Findlater, Winnipeg, Man.; WO. Howard Peter Blatchford, D.F.C., Didsbury, Alta.

## Today's War Analysis

By DE WITT MACKENZIE  
Associated Press War Analyst

When you put the microscope on the unqualified Allied decisions of Cairo and Teheran, it becomes apparent the United Nations have been manoeuvred into a highly advantageous position both as regards the conduct of the war and the enforcement of the peace.

The fact that the Allies didn't call on enemy peoples to sue for peace—as Nazi Propaganda Minister Joe Goebbels expected—has cleared the way for a complete house-cleaning. If the Allies stick to this grim formula there will be no armistice, no bargaining, no escaping punishment. The way things stand our enemies have a choice of these alternatives: 1. A fight to a bloody finish. 2. Unconditional surrender.

Under either alternative we shall have avoided the Allied mistake of 1918, when we agreed to an armistice and as a result got a half-baked peace which was bound to result in another war. I dare say that right now the Allies could get a similar bid for peace from the German people by angling with appeasement bait, but the edicts of Cairo and Teheran seem to mean that we don't want bids thus purchased.

In the last war the German army and people took things into their own hands when the going got nasty, and asked for peace. This move was based largely on President Woodrow Wilson's famous 14 points—laid down Jan. 8, 1918—and the shrewd idea that Allied idealism would soften the blow of capitulation.

The result was an armistice which protected the Reich from physical punishment, and at long last resulted in a treaty which couldn't be fully enforced on an embittered people who still were full of fight although temporarily disarmed. I saw the German delegation come out of the palace at Versailles after signing the treaty, and you knew from the look on their faces that the second Great War already had started.

We now have the Atlantic Charter and the four freedoms as assurance of justice for all—but this time the Allies are going to see their peace isn't sowed on stony ground.

This program of carrying the war through to a finish may mean fighting somewhat longer. By ensuring lasting peace, however, it will be immeasurably cheaper in lives, material resources and disorganization of society.

## M.P.'s Urge Mosley Be Put On Trial

LONDON (CP)—Two motions seeking action against Sir Oswald Mosley, prewar British Fascist leader recently released from detention in Holloway Prison, have been tabled in the House of Commons.

The first, a "try Mosley" motion, was signed by 27 members

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and tabled by Cmdr. Oliver Locker-Lampson, Conservative. The other, by Geoffrey Mander, Liberal, asks Home Secretary Herbert Morrison to consider the desirability of preferring charges against Mosley who, the motion says, co-operated with Hitler and Mussolini before the war.

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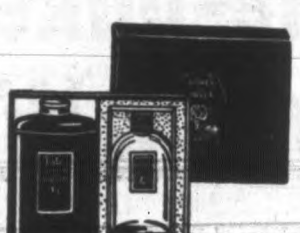
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### Troubled Bulgaria

**B**ULGARIA IS NOT AT WAR WITH THE Soviet Union. If the great bulk of her peasant population could have had their way, the late King Boris would not have been permitted to sell out to the Axis, since only the nation's officer class is Fascist at heart. Now the people as a whole, and, according to some reports, one or two members of the government, are trying to find a way of prying themselves loose from the Fuehrer's creaking chariot. They have seen their capital bombed; and they must know that this will be repeated as the Allies feel it necessary to do so. But they are also naturally perplexed by recent events at Tehran and Cairo—and not the least disturbing is the early likelihood of Turkey's collaboration with the United Nations, either by granting permission for British and the United States air forces to use bases east of the Golden Horn, or by a forthright entrance into the war on the Allied side.

Of particular significance at the moment is the presence in Sofia of a Russian military mission, while the Bulgarian ministers to Berlin, Moscow and Ankara are said to have returned home for consultation with the government. Although these developments may or may not be taken as a prelude to more definite action—withdrawal from the enemy's clutches while there is yet time, for example, with the object of assisting the United Nations in a projected invasion of the Balkans—staff officers from Moscow are assuredly not in the Bulgarian capital for their health. Nor does it seem extravagant to suggest that the late King Boris' Axis-minded military collaborators are now finding themselves in a difficult situation in view of the reaffirmed Turkish accord with Britain. They have not forgotten that their eastern neighbor has a score to settle with the country which for a second time has cast its lot with Germany. And they know, too, that obstruction on Bulgaria's part to an invasion of the Balkans in which Turkey had become an active accessory would be most uncomfortable for them, to say the least.

### Nonpartisan Clean Sweep

**R**EGARDLESS OF HOW THE VOTERS in the metropolitan area of Vancouver may feel toward purely Dominion and provincial policies, they went to the polls to elect part of their civic government yesterday and brushed aside all candidates with political axes to grind. Every nonpartisan candidate for City Council, School Board, and Parks Board was elected, leaving the C.C.F. and Trade Union Representative Committee nominees trailing, in most instances, many thousands behind.

How the C.C.F. will interpret this municipal decision in Vancouver is neither here nor there. What is plain for all to observe, however, is the fact that the people of that community had made up their minds to bar party politics from the City Hall. They did the job in no uncertain manner. And the result is all the more impressive because of the size of the majorities. Indeed, pluralities over both C.C.F. and T.U.R.C. in the aldermanic contests were the rule. Thus the verdict of the people was about as emphatic as it could be.

### Splitting The Bloc

**T**HERE IS TROUBLE WITHIN THE Bloc Populaire in Quebec. Maxime Raymond, the Bloc's leader, has formally rebuked the "saboteurs of the movement, opportunists and traitors," who have apparently been busy during his illness. He speaks of personal quarrels among collaborators. His references are reportedly directed at Rene Chalout, Philippe Hamel and Paul Gouin, who are pulling against the Bloc's four members in the federal Parliament.

Mr. Raymond modestly says: "I cannot tolerate conduct which puts in doubt the sincerity and sagacity of the chief himself. I have been since the beginning, and still am, the sole chief of the Bloc Populaire Canadien. I announced a program. The program will be executed, realized, in its entirety. No set, no political power, financial or otherwise, will prevent me from so doing. I cannot permit that the public be given reason to believe me sufficiently dishonest to keep as collaborators the saboteurs of the movement, or so little endowed with judgment as to be the tool of opportunists and traitors."

Is this an indication of disintegration of the Bloc Populaire? If so it will be a constructive development to the extent that it shatters the disruptive forces in Quebec. Men of good will, inside as well as outside of Quebec, who look to the ideal of Canadian unity, will hope that it is the beginning of the end of this group's destructive political power.

Wing Commander Gibson, V.C., who visited Victoria recently, has been describing during his speaking tour of the United States, how in England there are signs posted in all taverns which read as follows: "All group captains under 19 years of age must be accompanied by their parents." It emphasizes the extent to which youth has taken over the new warfare of the skies. Gibson himself is only 25.

### Chinese Retake Changteh

**F**ROM TIME TO TIME WE HAVE BEEN warned that the military situation in China, aggravated by inflation gone wild, leaves a good deal to be desired. On this account the peoples of the Allied world took heart when they learned that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek had taken part in the deliberations at Cairo and had obtained the assurance of Mr. Churchill and Mr. Roosevelt that the Japanese would be soundly trounced and stolen territories taken from them as rapidly as circumstances permitted. And this was a promise that can and will be fulfilled in the spirit and letter.

Against this prospect, however, must be placed the continually changing fortunes of the Chinese armies in the field. Last Friday, for instance, the important city of Changteh had fallen to the enemy in some of the bloodiest fighting in many months. The fact that the traditional resilience of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's men enabled them to retake this highly-strategic and vitally-economic stronghold yesterday should not be regarded as the end of Nippon's threat to China's famed "Ride Bowl" region. Also involved in this particular campaign is the Hunan-Szechwan supply line—one of the principal sources of sustenance for the Chinese army between that point and Changsha, the capital of Hunan province—which, by the way, the enemy has twice before tried unsuccessfully to take.

To what extent Allied air support can be thrown in to checkmate further pressure of the invaders is highly problematical. But the seriousness of the situation obviously will serve to emphasize the urgent need of that practical assistance which the Chinese have been promised often, but which, by reason of strategic difficulties, has arrived only too little in volume and too late in point of time. But it can be safely assumed that the inspiration which the Declaration of Cairo has given to the Chinese people and their valiant armies will manifest itself in a manner which has saved the day on previous occasions.

### Yugoslavia's Double War

**O**NE OF THESE DAYS THE WORLD will know just what the trouble is between the Yugoslavian forces led by Gen. Draza Mihailovic and the Partisan warriors under the command of Gen. Josip Broz (Tito). When Mr. Eden was in Cairo for the recent conferences it was reported that he met young King Peter—as well as King George of Greece, in which country there also seems to be political as well as military strife between two wings of the guerrillas. But what he discovered is not yet public property. From a statement made to the House of Commons by Mr. Richard K. Law, Minister of State, yesterday, however, it would appear that Britain is sending the greater part of her assistance to Partisan leader Marshal "Tito."

"Our policy is to support all the forces in Yugoslavia which are resisting the Germans," Mr. Law explained. But "as things are at present, we are supporting the Partisan forces, giving them more supplies than we are giving Gen. Draza Mihailovic, for the simple reason that the resistance of the Partisan forces is very much greater." On top of this is a statement from the Yugoslav information office in Cairo disputing "claims made in certain sections of the Allied press that Marshal Tito's provisional government enjoys the support of all political parties in Yugoslavia." Only the Communist Party, say informants responsible to King Peter, has given support to Tito.

This internal conflict between two elements in war-torn Yugoslavia serves to emphasize one of the many difficulties confronting the United Nations, not only in assisting what ought to be an effective campaign against the Germans in a country they have occupied and ravaged; it also throws into uncomfortable relief the prospect of a serious political problem to be solved later on—if civil war is to be avoided. It is good to learn from Mr. Law, however, that sentiment for young King Peter and his seemingly anti-Russian outlook is not being allowed to influence purely military decisions. The enemy is not interested in political abstractions.

### May Be So

**T**O CALIFORNIA'S SENATOR SHERIDAN Downey belongs the responsibility for saying that if Germany could be hit by 10 big bombing raids a month until Feb. 1—or, say, 20 from now—Hitler would be compelled to sue for peace. It is a pleasant thought; and if it so developed, Mr. Churchill would feel like saying "I told you so" after reflecting on his remarks before Congress earlier in the year. To try to bomb Germany out of the war, he said on that occasion, seemed to him a worthwhile experiment.

Regardless of Senator Downey's contention, however, the bombing index in recent days has shown an upward trend which must be causing the Fuehrer much perturbation of mind. The world has not learned of his personal reactions to the devastation of Berlin and other German cities; and it will have to wait and see whether the decisions taken at Tehran produce a speech which may be a preliminary to his swan song. Bomber Command's Air Chief Marshal Harris can be depended upon to try to convert the optimistic senatorial conviction into an accomplished fact.

Mr. Churchill predicts battles larger and more costly than Gettysburg or Waterloo ahead for the British and American armies. However, the numbers engaged at Waterloo were not large in the modern sense. Napoleon had 72,000 men there and lost 40,000. Wellington had 68,000, including 24,000 British, until the arrival of Blucher's 50,000 Prussians. Total loss of the allied army was 4,206 killed, 14,539 wounded and 4,231 missing. At Gettysburg the killed and wounded totaled 15,000.

### Loose Ends

**A**N ACTOR RECALLS ERSKINE JOHNSON writes from "Hollywood" that he was talking to Brian Aherne on the set between scenes of "Ten Percent Woman" at Columbia studio about people. Actors and newspaper folk have the opportunity to meet many kinds.

Brian said he remembered meeting Winston Churchill on a week-end in Sussex. "Walking into my host's beach-hut to change for a swim, I found myself face to face with Mr. Churchill, entirely naked except for a large cigar in his hand, and an enormous Panama hat on his head. He paid no attention to me, but continued to stand and think while I changed."

### COLORFUL CHARACTERS

**H**E SAID he remembered Dame Maye Kendal, the "ingenue" of the English-speaking stage, 80 years old and resplendent in dark red velvet, with violets in her bonnet, sitting erect and majestic at a theatrical tea party.

"Young man," she commanded to Brian in a voice which had carried Lady Macbeth to the last row of many a gallery, "sit here beside me. I wish to speak to you. In my young day," she said, "we were ladies and gentlemen from 11 to 8, and actors and actresses only from 8 to 11. Nowadays, it seems to me, we are actors and actresses from 11 to 8, and play at being ladies and gentlemen from 8 to 11."

Brian said he remembered Marshal Foch, in his study at the Invalides in Paris on a winter morning in 1925. His blue eyes sparkling, his face alight with enthusiasm, he described to Brian how the Allied council had sent for him at the darkest hour of the war to offer him supreme command.

They told him the position was so grave it was thought probable the Allies would have to give up either Paris or the channel ports.

Foch said, "Paris is France. The ports are England. I shall give up neither one nor the other. I will attack."

Brian recalled a Mr. Birch of London, 89 years old, with mutton chop whiskers. "You must have met a lot of people, Mr. Birch," said Brian. "Did you ever know Dickens?"

"Knew him well," said Mr. Birch. "Member of my club. Bit of a snob."

Brian said he lunched with Mr. Birch one day in a party which included Rudyard Kipling. "Don't you think," someone asked, "that 'The Light That Failed' would make a wonderful film?"

"Don't know," said Mr. Birch. "Never read it. Never heard of it."

Kipling, Brian said, roared with laughter.

### PROUD POVERTY

**B**RIAN SAID he remembered Mrs. Patrick Campbell at the end of her career, penniless and alone with a Pekingese dog on a sultry August afternoon in a frowsy back room in the West 50's, being told that Noel Coward offered her a fine role in his new play. Mrs. Campbell pouted:

"Ah, but how do I know that the young man can write?"

Brian Aherne said he remembered a lot of people—and that the faces he remembered best "are those that were finely etched with the acid of experience, speaking words sharpened with wisdom or mellowed with understanding."

Johnson adds he thought Brian had something there.

### CANADIAN ART

From Toronto Saturday Night  
 Canadians will learn with mingled feelings of the appointment of the Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey as chairman of the Board of the National Gallery of London, England. There will be a disposition to assume that this means that the High Commissioner is not planning to return to Canada when his term of office expires. We greatly doubt whether this conclusion is justified, although the British government probably hopes that Mr. Massey will not leave England until he has at least spent a few years in this very important and responsible position.

The National Gallery is probably the most famous of all the great public art collections of the world. It celebrated its centenary the year before the outbreak of the present war, though the Parliament grant of \$300,000 which founded it was voted as early as 1824.

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### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**Q**—What radical development in airplane engines is believed to be under consideration by the Nazis?

**A**—The use of diesel engines for stratosphere operations by fighter planes.

**Q**—What large island would in all probability be used as a naval base in the event of a campaign against the Japs in Burma and Thailand?

**A**—Ceylon.

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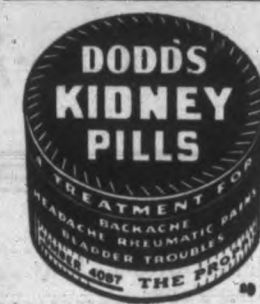
The abridged pomp of the opening of the ninth session of this prolonged Parliament offers that lesson in variety.

Few were the splashes of color. The King wore the uniform of an admiral of the fleet. The Queen wore black velvet. There were no scarlet and ermine robes or coronets. The scene was predominantly one of black and white, with the bishops' sleeves providing most of the white.

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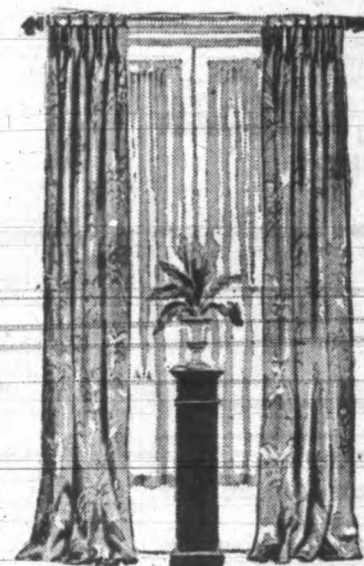
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## Personals

Mrs. R. W. Shannon, Rockland Avenue, left today to spend Christmas in Calgary.

Mrs. C. S. Parsons of Vancouver is spending several days in Victoria with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Moss.

Guests at the Luesley-House wedding Wednesday evening included Miss Marguerite Luesley, Mrs. M. Crowcroft, Vancouver, and Mrs. J. Albertson, Kamloops.

Presentation of a rose-satin quilted bedspread was made to Miss Betty Muirhead, December bride-elect, by Mr. W. P. Jeune, manager of the Pantorium Dye Works, on behalf of all the members of the staff.

Mrs. A. H. Florence and her small son, David, who came from Powell River to attend the Hughes-McLorie wedding, left today for their home. They were the guests of Mrs. Florence's mother, Mrs. T. S. Moffatt, 925 Heywood Avenue.

Mrs. Roger P. Clark, wife of Col. R. P. Clark, United States Army Air Force, liaison officer stationed in Victoria, has returned to the city after an absence of six months at her home in New York. Col. and Mrs. Clark's twin sons are with the American Air Force.

Mrs. Bengt Forsblad, the former Sheila Baskett, who was married at sea to the purser of the Swedish liner Gripsholm, on which she was a passenger from China, has arrived in Victoria to visit her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Forbes, 843 Newport Avenue. She expects to return to New York shortly to join her husband.

Fit, Lt. and Mrs. B. A. M. Herbert entertained at their home at Elk Lake. Guests were Sgt. Maj. and Mrs. Robert McVie, Mr. and Mrs. C. Burdith, R.A.F.; Fit Lt. and Mrs. A. Greenwood, R.A.F.; SO, S. Hutchins, R.C.A.F. (W.D.); Mrs. L. P. Cockrell, Misses Peggy McVie, Betty Lou Frelson, Verne Maurer, Barbara McVie and Fred Maurer.

On Sunday at St. John's Church Sqdn. Ldr. R. O. Mossop, R.A.F. chaplain, performed the christening ceremony of the baby daughter of Fit Lt. and Mrs. B. A. M. Herbert. The baby's names were Gillian Patricia; godparents were Mrs. R. McVie, Mrs. Clifford Burdith, Mrs. D. Cockrell and Mr. Clifford Burdith. The latter two godmothers stood proxy for Miss Avril Smith and Mrs. Rhoda Copen of England. After the ceremony Mrs. A. Maurer, "Piedmont," Elk Lake, entertained at tea, when her guests included Sqdn. Ldr. A. Mossop, R.A.F., and Mrs. Mossop, Fit Lt. P. Wilson, R.A.F., and Mrs. Wilson, Fit Lt. A. Greenwood, R.A.F., and Mrs. Greenwood, Fit Lt. B. A. M. Herbert, R.A.F., and Mrs. Herbert, Mr. Clifford Burdith, R.A.F., and Mrs. Burdith, Sgt. Maj. and Mrs. R. McVie, Mrs. L. P. Cockrell, Misses Peggy McVie, Verne Maurer, Barbara McVie, SO, S. Hutchins, R.C.A.F. (W.D.), and A. Maurer.

Mrs. R. W. Marsh reported the donation of \$25 for a class for retarded children at Central School, where they will be taught sewing and other handicrafts. Mrs. F. M. Huelin, reporting for the Pavilion, stated that money had been given for prizes, and Mrs. W. Schade and Mrs. R. S. Standerwick were thanked for cigarettes for the patients.

Knitted goods to the value of \$28.40 have been turned in to Municipal Chapter. Mrs. A. G. Moodie stated that Christmas presents would be set to the chapter's two adopted children at the Solarium.

A donation of \$25 will be sent to the Solarium, \$10 for work in India, \$5 Christmas present for the wife of a serviceman, \$5 to Girl Guides, No. 2, East Company Edith Cavell.

Annual reports of committees were read at the last meeting of Lake Hill Women's Institute. Mrs. E. Glover presiding. Much work has been accomplished, and donations made to the Solarium, Shower, O. Dimes, Jetha Scott Fund, Community Centre.

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## Panda Beats Santa



Dianne Robins, 2521 Fifth Street, steals a march on Santa Claus with a baby panda her parents bought to put under the Christmas tree. Toy is from Christmas stock of pandas which sold out two hours after opening of one toyland.

## Wren Chauffeur For Vice-Admiral

OTTAWA (CP)—When Wren Betty Allen of Winnipeg took a motor mechanic's course as a Red Cross worker there before joining the Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service she had no idea it would lead to her present job—but she now is driving Vice-Admiral Percy W. Nelles, Chief of Naval Staff.

Leading Seaman Fred Hall, dispatcher at the naval garage in Ottawa, describes her as a "very conscientious driver." She likes her new job, and so does Admiral Nelles, for her temporary appointment to the post has been verified and made permanent.

Driver Allen's first job was to drive Navy Minister MacDonald and Admiral Nelles to the Memorial Day services at the cenotaph. Despite crowds and heavy traffic she "got along all right," she said.

"My leg was shaking so much from nervousness that I could barely hold the clutch in," she added. Wren Allen reported here from H.M.C.S. Conestoga at Galt, Ont., where she took her basic training.

"Ever since I've been driving for the Chief of Naval Staff, officers keep reminding me that I'm apt to hear important naval secrets being discussed in the back seat. But they don't need to worry about it—usually I'm too busy with the driving to hear anything," she said.

**Club Calendar**  
Job's Daughters, tonight, 7.45, Shrine Auditorium. Initiation.  
Primrose Lodge No. 32, Daughters of England, Friday, 8. Election of officers.  
P.P.C.L.I. Women's Auxiliary, Friday, 2.30, Y.W.C.A. Election of officers.  
Christ Church Cathedral Women's Parish Guild Sewing Circle, Friday, 3, home of Mrs. G. Miles, 1340 Stanley Avenue.

## Posted to Victoria



Having joined the C.W.A.C. in Hamilton, Margaret Willis has been posted to Victoria. Before going east, Miss Willis had been visiting her uncle, Wm. Willis in New Zealand.

## Memorial Service Honors Ex-Pupils Of Lampson School

Names of 18 young men, former pupils at the Lampson Street School, who lost their lives while serving with the army, navy, air force or merchant marine, in the present war, were inscribed on a plaque, presented to the school Wednesday by the Mary Croft Esquimalt Chapter, I.O.D.E.

Salute to the Flag and to the King, followed by the reciting of the Lord's Prayer, opened the ceremonies, at which Reeve Alex Lockley was chairman, Inspector W. G. Gamble and Mrs. F. F. Beckett, municipal educational secretary of the I.O.D.E. for Greater Victoria, spoke briefly. Mrs. C. L. Bishop, regent of Mary Croft Chapter, unveiled the plaque, which was accepted by the principal on behalf of the school. A two minutes' silence was observed and "Last Post" was sounded.

Following were the names read: Peter Piddington, son of Maj. and Mrs. Piddington, and the first Canadian casualty of the war, who went down with the Royal Oak; Thomas Watt and William Gagnon, both lost when the Fraser was sunk; Jack Burlett, David Frankham, Victor Carter, Jack Williams and Stanley Day, all lost with the Margaree; Donald Wilson, lost on the Ottawa.

Among members of the R.C.A.F. were listed Roy Frame, James Codville, Jack Cunningham, George Newman and Ian Sutherland-Brown. Other boys listed on the honor roll were: Tom Redhead, Hongkong casualty; Bob Williams; Douglas McIntyre, Sicilian casualty; and Reginald Gray, of the merchant marine.

Ceremonies were closed with prayers by Padre C. W. N. Wareham. Parents then visited classrooms and during the afternoon the school band and girls' choir gave several numbers.

## ANNUAL W.A. MEETING

St. Saviour's Senior W.A. officers have been elected as follows: President, Mrs. Geo. Pocock; first vice-president, Mrs. E. Edwards; second vice-president, Mrs. C. E. White; treasurer, Cody Johnson, living; Mrs. D. M. Hughes; educational, Mrs. E. Wade; juniors, Mrs. F. Willis; little helpers, Mrs. W. Ashworth; extra cent day, Mrs. W. Froggatt; united thank-offering, Miss E. Bayliss; delegates, Mrs. C. Clarke; Mrs. E. Edwards; parish secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Harper; Red Cross, Mrs. J. L. Lea; prayer partner, Mrs. Powell; Miss Holmes spoke on "The Traditions and Legends of Glastonbury."

Evening Auxiliary of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church met under Mrs. H. Bain. Devotional period was conducted by Miss Isabel Scott. Mrs. V. Sand, vice-president of the auxiliary, installed the new officers and spoke on "What it means to be a W.M.S. member."

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## Weddings

A gown of white taffeta featuring a yoke of net, outlined with hand-made flowers, was chosen by Maude, younger daughter of Mrs. G. I. House, 1735 Davie Street, and the late Mr. House, for her marriage Wednesday evening in the Princess Charlotte room of the Empress Hotel, to William A. Luesley, son of G. H. Luesley, Vancouver, and the late Mrs. Luesley, Rev. C. A. Reynolds, of First Baptist Church read the service, and Mrs. Bert Noel was the vocal soloist.

The bride's shoulder veil was caught to a Mary Stuart head-dress, and she carried a bouquet of red carnations, centred with gardenias. She was given away by her uncle, S. Joyce, and attended by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Stanley House, frocked in rose-striped blue taffeta, with a rose net hat and carrying a bouquet of pink carnations. Stanley House was best man.

About 35 guests were welcomed to the reception in the Prince Albert room by the bride's mother. Toast to the bride was proposed by H. Hundley.

Going away, the bride wore a watermelon suit, with a fur coat and black accessories. After a honeymoon in Vancouver and Lake Louise, Mr. and Mrs. Luesley will reside in Victoria. The groom recently returned from overseas, when he was attached to the Seaforth Highlanders of Vancouver. He last served as a gunner with the merchant marine, and after being severely wounded in action with German submarines, was invalided out of service.

## W.A. Elects Officers

New officers elected at the annual meeting of St. Saviour's Evening Branch of the W.A. were: President, Mrs. P. Hulford; vice-president, Mrs. N. Augustin; secretary, Mrs. L. Sinden; treasurer, Mrs. E. Lowry; Dorcas, Mrs. A. Roach and Mrs. M. Crocker; educational, Mrs. D. Jones; thank-offering, Mrs. R. Guthrie; extra cent, Mrs. P. Mackie; convener and pianist, Mrs. E. Gillespie; reporter, Mrs. A. Spedding; advertising, Mrs. E. Foulks; prayer partner, Mrs. G. Walker; sick visiting, Mrs. D. Hughes and Mrs. M. Anderson. Mrs. F. J. Briner was guest speaker, and senior branch of the W.A. was represented.

Re-elect Ald. T. W. Hawkins to City Council.

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Dear Miss Dix—Am I right to keep a home for our only child, a son now in the Service? I have been married over 20 years to a fine and generous man who has made my life very happy, but lately I have found out that he has been philandering. When I taxed him with my knowledge of

it, he admitted it, but promises that he is through playing with fire.

Should I believe him, and forgive him, and keep our home together for the sake of our son? Or should I divorce him?

UNCERTAIN.

Answer—When many a wife thinks about divorce, if she is honest with herself, she knows that she is accessory before the crime of her husband's philandering. She made no effort to hold him. She didn't dress up for him. She didn't try to entertain and amuse him. She didn't jolly him along. She went slouchy and slovenly around the house, and nagged him and fretted him and told him of his faults. She let herself get fat and dull. After the first baby came she was all mother and no wife until she literally drove him away from her.

It is this heart-searching session that every middle-aged wife should hold with her conscience before she divorces her husband. She should not let her family and her friends, with their "poor Mary's" and "you shouldn't stand it's" and "you ought to leave him's" drive her into it, as so many women do.

Your husband has been a good husband to you except for having a wandering foot that strayed now and then off of the straight and narrow path.

You are not young and alluring any longer. You couldn't hope for love and romance to come to you again, or to marry any man who would be kinder to you than the husband you have. So what do you think you will get out of divorce that will be of advantage to you and be worth all it will cost you?

Don't you think that you will be happier with your husband than you would be without him? Don't you think that when your boy comes home from the war you will be glad for him to return to an unbroken home, instead of one that is just as much a shambles as any wreck in a devastated city? And if, as, alas, will happen to many mothers, he doesn't come home at all, that you will be glad to have told him that you were divorcing his father and shamed him in his eyes, and thus have dealt him as deadly a wound as any enemy's bullet could have given him?

Think it over, lady, a long time before you divorce your middle-aged husband who is good to you, barring a few flirtations.

### P.T.A. News

Oaklands — Mrs. W. Brown war efforts convener, reported \$91 realized at the bazaar; \$60 of this will be cabled to Britain to enable children in bombed-out areas to have Christmas treats; \$5 will be donated to the B.C. Toy Fund. A Christmas parcel has been sent to a former pupil of Oaklands who is now a prisoner of war. Thirty pounds of toys will be sent to England. Freeman King spoke on the neglected boys, between the ages of 8 and 11 who most need leadership and guidance. He stressed the need for cub packs in districts that lack them. The school board and candidates for trustees also addressed the members. January meeting will be feature talks on nutrition and demonstrations of lunch box packing.

Committee of the Aged and Infirm Women's Home met under Mrs. W. L. Clay, when preparations for Christmas were made.

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### C.W.L. Plans Social

A whist party and social will be held in St. Andrew's Cathedral Parish Hall, Jan. 4, it was announced at a meeting of the Senior Subdivision of the C.W.L. Mrs. P. C. Shaw, Mrs. Legace and Mrs. M. E. O'Neill were appointed conveners.

Christmas parcels for members of the Cathedral parish who are serving in Canada will be wrapped and mailed from the Parish Hall. Mrs. Roy Klasinger, convener of war effort, and the committee in charge, will meet Tuesday afternoon to complete parceling. Hospital visiting at St. Joseph's and Mount St. Mary's was reported by Mrs. Lennax. During the next month, Mrs. Johnson will attend St. Joseph's Hospital, and Mrs. Blair Reid and Mrs. Lennax, "The Mount." War Time Housing report was presented by Mrs. B. Reid. Hampers for Father Bradley's missions were discussed and a Christmas donation voted; also gifts for the Poor Clare Sisters. Two successful Advent Study Clubs were reported on by Miss Clay, convener of Study and Discussion Clubs. Arrangements were made for members to enjoy books from "The Veritas" lending library. Red Cross convener, Mrs. Roy Klasinger, displayed knitting completed. Remailing of current Catholic literature was reported by Mrs. M. Ormond.

Brentwood Women's Institute has made plans for progressive 500 turkey card party in the institute hall Saturday at 8.30. There will be tombolas and supper will be served.

### St. Ann's Present December Recital

Presentation of 50 certificates of the Royal Schools of Music and the Toronto Conservatory of Music by Bishop John C. Cody, highlighted the December recital of St. Ann's School of Music at the Academy Tuesday evening.

The High School choir was in attendance, and also taking part in the program of violin, piano and vocal numbers were Shirley Macdonald, Diana Keck, Theresa French, Nola Mayar, Geraldine Smith, Mary Burnett, Wayne Pineo, Maura Hanley, Patrick Martin, Sylvia Scott, Edna McGinnis, Ronald de Montigny, Irene Gray, Joyce Murdoch, Moya Martin, Barbara Bishop, Pearl Scott, Mary Rock, Leona Calwell, Ethel Harmsen, Elaine Drayton, Shirley Murtagh, Maureen Rogers, Jean McGrath, Patricia Robertson, Florence Martin, Roberta Nelsen, Janet Bishop, Sylvia Hooper, Mae Barnard, Maureen Baxter, Patricia Brownlee, Patricia Burke, Velma Wille, Jeanette Paterson, Madeleine Colts, Pearl Scott, Elizabeth Harding, Diana Ramesden, Jean Adams, Audrey Key, Eleanor Edwards, Mary Armitage, Dorothy Harding, Gloria Haines, Arden Myers and Bernice Chisholm.

Coupons valid Ration coupons valid Friday are as follows: Tea or coffee, Nos. 1 to 23; sugar, Nos. 1 to 22; preserves, Nos. D1 to D9; butter, Nos. 38, 39, 40 and 41; meat Nos. 26, 27, 28 and 29.

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### 'Y' Sends Many Gifts To Canadian Captives

Frank Paulding, secretary of the Victoria branch of the Y.M.C.A., in speaking of the War Prisoners' Aid, pointed out it is not generally known that the "Y" as well as the Red Cross has access to the prisoners in enemy country.

Mr. Paulding reports that the U.S. National War Fund has allocated \$1,800,000 to the Y.M.C.A. for its prisoner of war activities, and the Canadian government has donated \$100,000 for the same cause.

The Red Cross in the main looks after food parcels, while the Y.M.C.A. concentrates on supplying games, musical instruments—equipment to alleviate the monotony of captivity.

Suggested items for prisoners include: Stationery, typewriters, movie machines, barbering equipment, shoemaking tools, sports goods, and essentials for religious worship.

### Saanich Maps Plans To Spend \$2,453,145 On Postwar Projects

Postwar projects calling for an estimated expenditure of \$2,453,145 will be submitted by the Saanich Council to the provincial rehabilitation committee.

The projected plans, which have been prepared by H. Blakeney, municipal engineer and others, call for estimated expenditures of \$1,000,000 for a sewer project for the urban area, \$568,145 on road improvement, \$300,000 for improvement and extension of water service, \$100,000 for hospitalization and \$285,000 on reconstruction.

The plans, which were reviewed Wednesday night at a regular council meeting, did not include a school program which is being considered now by the Saanich School Board.

#### THREE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS

The sewer project on which a survey has already been started, called for installation of sewers in 6,500 acres of the urban part of Saanich. The \$1,000,000 estimated as the cost was the maximum, Mr. Blakeney said, and would cover the cost of one of three disposal systems now being investigated.

He listed possible disposal systems as follows: 1. Treatment plants at various points within the area, through which all domestic sewage would pass; 2. treatment plants to take care of some districts, other districts to be connected to potential City and Oak Bay trunk sewers; or, 3. connecting the entire system to potential city and Oak Bay trunk sewers.

Mr. Blakeney said the proposed sewers could be constructed in 6 to 10 years, the estimated cost during the first two years being \$350,000, and the cost during the next four or eight years being \$650,000.

#### 500 HOMES

A housing project was suggested by Councillor G. A. Rudd, who estimated Saanich, after the war, would need at least 500 homes for workmen at a cost of from \$2,000 to \$3,000.

The highway and road improvement plan, which Mr. Blakeney suggested be spread over a 10-year period, was divided into three sections.

The first group, called primary highways, suggested improvement of Burnside Road and Douglas and Shelbourne Streets, a total length of nine miles of road at an estimated cost of \$46,125.

The second group of secondary highways included 39 separate projects with 62½ miles at an estimated cost of \$322,020.

The third group of streets in the proposed sewer area called for improvement of 135 streets, totaling 50 miles at an estimated cost of \$200,000.

#### Questioned about what the improved streets would be like, Mr. Blakeney said they would be 24 feet with sealed asphalt surfaces and improved boulevards.

Without any plans worked out the council added \$100,000 to the other schemes for hospitalization and discussed the building of a municipal hospital.

#### \$100,000 FOR PARKS

Largest item on the reconstruction program was \$100,000 for parks and boulevards. This group also included estimated expenditures of \$50,000 for extension of street lighting, \$50,000 for a home for the aged and infirm, \$50,000 for fire protection and \$25,000 for a municipal hall.

Mr. Blakeney said the street lighting program would give a light on every corner in Ward 7, and parts of Wards 1 and 2.

Whereas Saanich now has 80 street lights, he said, the program, if effected, would provide about 600 lights.

No specific areas were mentioned for new parks or playgrounds.

The fire protection expenditure called for building and equipping three new fire halls.

Councillors suggested adding to the present municipal hall at Royal Oak or building a new hall, perhaps nearby the present building.

Councillor K. W. Richmond moved the \$10,000 estimate for town planning be included.

All plans were described both by Mr. Blakeney and Reeve E. C. Warren as very tentative and undeveloped. They will be submitted by the municipality to the rehabilitation committee for consideration as possible means of providing employment for returned men and former war workers.

It was understood money at low rates of interest would be available through the federal government for the projects suggested.

#### AIR CADETS OF CANADA

Greater Victoria Wing  
Basic training Friday, 19.15 hrs. at Victoria High School.  
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### Bucket Brigade Saves Town in Manitoba

WINNIPEG (CP)—Steinbach, a town 40 miles southeast of Winnipeg with a population of 1,500, was threatened with destruction by fire early today when flames swept through two large buildings and a house, causing property damage of \$50,000.

Bucket brigades, formed by more than 300 townsmen, prevented spread of the flames after a hardware store, grocery store and the home of A. R. Penner had been destroyed.

Several explosions shook the two-story hardware building, sending sparks drifting above 50-foot high flames. The explosions were caused when flames reached ammunition and oil supplies.

### Saanich Will Vote On Garbage System; To Measure Fuel

Saanich voters at the forthcoming municipal election will decide whether or not Saanich should have a municipally-instituted garbage collection system to be paid for by property holders of the affected areas.

Wednesday night the council approved including of the garbage referendum with the other ballots.

Voters will answer yes or no to this question: Are you in favor of the municipality instituting a garbage collection service, to be paid for by the owners of improved property in those areas affected?

The proposed area was that served by the water system. It was estimated roughly that two collections per week would cost each householder \$4 annually.

Having previously agreed to bear part of the expenses of the case presented by Victoria at the B.C. Electric Inquiry, the council voted to pay \$900.

Although the municipality at present, according to city solicitor, has no power to control and regulate sale of sawdust, the council passed at the first reading a by-law to regulate the measuring of millwood, cordwood, coal and other fuel. The law is similar to that already in effect in Victoria.

H. Foster, 2941 Orilla, complained to the council of the condition of the street at Orilla and Obed, saying his wife had recently fallen in a pot hole and bruised her nose and sprained her wrist. Councillor Richmond said the street was being attended to.

### KILLS FIVE DOGS

Compensation of \$22.50 will be paid A. P. Cummins Jr., R.R. 3, for ewes killed by dogs. It was reported no more sheep in the area had been killed since Mr. Cummins destroyed five dogs attacking his sheep.

Rudd Park officially came into existence with the final reading of the by-law which will set aside the area as a park and recreation ground.

A letter from Lady Butler, Blenkinsop Road, reporting an accident in which her car crashed into some trees to avoid going over a five-foot bank on Keating Cross Road, will be referred to the municipal solicitor, H. Blakeney, municipal engineer, said that while a bar had been put across the road where a cut was made, someone had removed it so there was no sign indicating the road was closed.

Reports of flood conditions last week at Young's drug store, Tillicum Road, were left with Councillor Richmond. Mr. Blakeney said the store basement was flooded when a drain silt box became blocked up.

Request of R. Gilton, Marigold, to add to his store was referred to the zoning board. W. C. Blackstock was granted permission to build a seven foot fence on the side of his property.

Councillor Rudd said the Inverness Street sidewalk, complained of in a petition, was being repaired.



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## Tough Week-End Draw

The last two and a half weeks of competition have demonstrated that National Hockey League clubs don't take lessons from Emily Post. In short, they're poor hosts.

In 16 league games since Nov. 21, no single team has managed to win on the other fellow's ice. Spider-and-fly fashion, home clubs have won 14 of the contests and settled for a split of points in the other two.

In home games over that stretch, Boston Bruins have won four and tied one, Chicago Black Hawks, Montreal Canadiens and Toronto Maple Leafs took three and lost none and Detroit Red Wings won their lone engagement.

Even New York Rangers made the grade, scoring their only point of the season with a draw against Canadiens in their only appearance before home fans since Nov. 21.

Home teams face a stern test, however, in the only games scheduled this week. Toronto entertains the league-leading Montreal Canadiens Saturday while Rangers are at home to Boston

## Grid Clubs Share In \$14,898 Gate

TORONTO (CP)—R. W. Hewitson, secretary of the Canadian Rugby Union, Wednesday announced that Winnipeg R.C.A.F. Bombers and Hamilton Flying Wildcats each would receive \$3,993.81 as their share of the net proceeds from the east-west game for the Canadian football championship Nov. 27.

In addition the Winnipeg club received \$2,200 for the expenses of its trip to Toronto, while the Hamilton club's expenses were \$200.

Hewitson said the total attendance of 16,433 and the gross gate \$14,898.25. Aside from team expenses, the largest expense item was ground rent of \$2,161. The C.R.U. share of the gate was \$1,244.

Sunday, Rangers also play at Boston Saturday while two other Sunday contests send Canadiens to Detroit and Toronto to Chicago.

## Basketballers Seek Increased Seating

Lifting of spectator restrictions at the Victoria High gym, to let the Victoria and District Basketball Association accommodate 450 instead of the present 200, appeared assured today.

A plea on behalf of the basketball interests by Gordon Woodridge, who told the city school board Wednesday night "the life of the organization depends on sympathy from the board," hit a responsive chord. The board, after sympathetic consideration, referred the question to its building and grounds committee with power to act.

The load limit was established by the board on the recommendation of the fire chief, who said some time ago 200 to 225 were as many as should be accommodated in the gallery. Spectators had been kept off the floor to protect the surface.

Today school board authorities stated regulations might be relaxed to permit seats around the floor provided the basketball association assumed responsibility for any damage which might be done to it.

Fire Chief Alex Munroe expressed opinion the basketball proposition was reasonable.

The expected relaxation of seating arrangements may make possible establishment of the Inter-city Basketball League.

## Currie Army Wins; Bentley Badly Cut

CALGARY (CP)—Playing together for the first time, the newly amalgamated Tecumseh Mustangs, a combination of navy and air force players, went down to a 8 to 4 defeat when they opposed the powerful Currie Army team in an Alberta Services Senior Hockey League game Wednesday night.

Army assumed a 2 to 1 lead in the first period, boosted it to 8 to 2 during the second, but were outscored 2 to 0 during the third. Alex Kaleta (2), Max Bentley (2), Dunc Grant (2) and Bobby Carse, were the scorers for Currie, while Roy Sawyer (2), Doug Cairns and Mitch Pechet were the marksmen for the Mustangs.

It was a rough, tough game. During the third period, Pete Slobodian, in viciously checking Max Bentley, inflicted a head cut to the starry Army player that necessitated 20 stitches. Bentley was so badly shaken up that he was taken to a hospital.

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## Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

VICTORIA'S Rep rugby squad for Saturday's crucial McKee Cup match on the mainland against Vancouver Reps has certainly had its face lifted over the line-up that smothered Varsity Thunderbirds here a few weeks back. But Coach Dan Doswell has no worries over the outcome of the match. Biggest change has taken place in the forwards, and looking over the pack we note it is more robust and aggressive than any other chosen this season. The pack should stand up just as well on a wet or dry field. "Our tightest forward tips the scales around 175 and the line should more than hold its own against those hustling front liners of the Vancouver club," Doswell declared.

Doug Peden, smooth-kicking fullback of the Crimson Tide will take over the job of team captain for Saturday's match, replacing the injured Bill Gornall, who is out for the season with a fractured collarbone. Despite his many years of league and inter-city rugby competition, this is the first serious accident suffered by the popular Army forward. Rugby fans will be sorry to hear that Kereama, "acrobatic Maori" of the R.A.F., has played his final rugby match in British Columbia. The little fellow has been drafted to other parts and his loss is a serious one, as he was one of the most polished performers to show here in many seasons.

Red Dutton, who formerly kept himself in the hockey headlines as a robust defence star and then as the fiery manager of the Brooklyn Americans, has certainly mellowed since taking over as managing director pro tem of the National Hockey League. Now the famous red-head sits back in his luxurious Montreal office and visions great things for hockey's number one circuit in post-war years.

He's looking toward a mighty expansion of hockey. Plane travel will eliminate distance and cities all over the continent will have major hockey. Transoceanic plane travel for hockey is also likely. Clubs will have their own transport planes.

Professional hockey will reach previously untouched fields in the United States. Already there is an application for a franchise from Los Angeles. Other central and far-western United States cities are interested. But Red doesn't think the United States will take major hockey entirely away from Canada. Montreal and Toronto will remain important centres and air travel may make it possible for other Canadian cities to enter.

Dutton envisions clubs playing every night in the N.H.L. with as many games in the season as in the major baseball leagues. Clubs would carry two complete teams, one playing one night, the other the next.

Six of the eight managers of National League baseball clubs used to play for the New York Giants under John McGraw, and four of them—Mel Ott, Billy Southworth, Frank Frisch and Freddie Fitzsimmons—were members of the same club in 1925. The other two are Casey Stengel and Bill McKee. Wonder where you'll find another record like that?

## Dolph Camilli Signs To Manage Oakland

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP)—Signing of Dolph Camilli, former major league baseball star, to a two-year contract to manage the Oakland club of the Pacific Coast League, was reported Wednesday by club president C. L. (Brick) Laws.

The deal by which the Oaks obtained Camilli's release from the New York Giants, it was said, is subject to ratification by Judge K. M. Landis, high commissioner of baseball.

As part of the team, the Oakland club gave the New York Giants an option to purchase the contract of Bill Rigney, shortstop now in the navy, after the war.

CANADIAN DERBY  
WINNIPEG (CP)—The Manitoba Jockey Club announced Wednesday night it has sent out entry forms for the 1946 \$2,000 added Winnipeg Futurity for two-year-olds foaled anywhere in Canada, and the 1946 \$5,000 added Canadian Derby for three-year-olds.

SOCCER MEETING  
A special meeting of the Victoria and District Football League will be held tonight in Room 43 in the Arcade Building at 7. All teams are asked to have delegates present.

## Scottish Terrier Captures Best In Show Honors

Visiting breeders carried off the majority of the honors in the specials group in the annual championship show of the Vancouver Island Dog Fanciers' Association, held Wednesday, at the Crystal Garden.

Carnation Farm Kennels' Scottish terrier, Dor-EI Black Nuggett, was awarded best-in-show honors, and also took the best-terrier honors. Choice of the Washington canine was popular with the big crowd of spectators.

Mrs. Jean Williams of Vancouver captured the best Canadian bred in show title with her Scottish terrier, Laddie of Moyra.

Clean sweep by out-of-town exhibitors was halted when Mrs. J. Hogarth of Victoria took the prize for the best puppy in show with her Sealyham terrier, Felbourne Furlough.

Judging was handled by Mrs. Mary Gardner, Edmonton, and Bob Cross, Victoria.

Other special awards follow: Best toy, Yorkshire terrier, Ch. Little Jetson, owned by John Rose, Vancouver.

Best hound-beagle, Am. Ch. Frances Jill, owned by Mrs. Frances Seigel, Seattle.

Best working, Great Dane, Estid Victory, owned by Mrs. J. Williams, Vancouver.

Best non-sporting, Boston terrier, Top Rows Little Man, owned by Playfair Kennels, Portland.

Best sporting, cocker spaniel, High Hat Perfection, owned by Dr. Rae Smith, Portland.

Best novice, Brittany spaniel, Voyageur Mac Eochaidh, owned by Westhaven Kennels, Vancouver.

## Horse Racing

BAY MEADOWS—Horse racing results here Wednesday follow:  
First race—One mile:  
Pete (Thane) — \$2.50 \$2.50 \$2.50  
Black Legion (Dodson) — 4.70 2.50  
Belle (Dotter) — 4.50 2.50  
Time, 1:38 2-5. Also ran: Race Train, Bexida, Receding, Orange River.  
Second race—One mile:  
Congressman (Peterson) — \$6.40 \$5.00 \$3.50  
Hart (Hart) — 3.40 2.50  
Valdieu Gadget (Blanco) — 4.40 2.50  
Time, 1:28 4-5. Also ran: Needle Boy, Rary Dean, Bellido, Left, Risky Man, Curran Ann.  
Third race—Six furlongs:  
Turn B. Shellhammer — \$69.00 \$27.50 \$15.50  
O'Brien (Peterson) — 13.40 7.50  
Public Opinion (Hart) — 6.50 5.50  
Time, 1:12 4-5. Also ran: Sunny Camp, Insensible, Dory Row, Wise Court, Too Blue, Xenosun, Irelita, Valley Flare.  
Fourth race—Six furlongs:  
Marada (Dodson) — \$20.00 \$10.50 \$6.20  
Little Ebony (Thane) — 16.20 9.10  
Achilles (Peterson) — 6.50 5.50  
Time, 1:13 2-5. Also ran: Frank Henry, H. Brian, B. Galt, Abbott's Melody, Red Charm, Nikitar, Big Sur.  
Fifth race—Six furlongs:  
Medusa Jack (Peterson) — \$12.50 \$5.10 \$3.50  
Bulolo (Zehr) — 5.40 5.50  
Sweet Chance (Longden) — 5.50 5.50  
Time, 1:12. Also ran: Slappy, Pylon, Spate Parly, Belt, Pipico, Bullock Hole, Big Bear, Fire Strata.  
Sixth race—Six furlongs:  
Shiver — \$6.00 \$4.00 \$3.00  
Six Ziss (Gatz) — 3.50 2.50  
Minnies Agent (Shellhammer) — 3.10 2.50  
Time, 1:12 1-5. Also ran: New Frontier, Sun Goose, Wesson, Rose Canyon, Modoc.  
Seventh race—Six furlongs:  
Primer Ernst (Zuffell) — \$6.50 \$3.50 \$2.50  
Brawl (Dodson) — 5.50 5.50  
Time, 1:12 1-5. Also ran: Win Dran, Supreme's Best, Bull Pen, Burnt Cork.  
Eighth race—One mile:  
Bulwark (Longden) — \$4.10 \$2.70 \$2.10  
Buy Fingers (Dodson) — 3.90 2.50  
Sunny (Ward) — 2.40 2.50  
Time, 1:28 2-5. Also ran: Nath's Pet, River Lass, Jodas Joe, Equitmer, Rockaway Boss.

## BLIND GOLFER

LEEDS, Eng. (CP)—Blinded seven years ago, 35-year-old A. E. B. Rumball has taken up golf and the proudest moment of his five-month-old links career came when he sank a 15-foot putt recently.

He tees up the ball himself and places the club head behind it, then his partner moves him into the right position for the stroke. On the greens his partner rattles the pin to give him the direction.

## MONTREAL HOCKEY

MONTREAL (CP)—Montreal Royals and R.C.A.F. fought to a 4 to 4 tie in a Quebec Senior Hockey League fixture here Wednesday night. As a result of the draw Air Force moved into a first-place tie with Idle Quebec Aces, while Royals remained in the cellar, a game behind Ottawa Commandos.

## WINNIPEG HOCKEY

WINNIPEG (CP)—Winnipeg Monarchs defeated Winnipeg Rangers 7 to 5 in the Manitoba south division Junior Hockey League here Wednesday night.

Spence Tatchell scored three goals, Jack Kernahan two and Ralph Luke and Bill Vickers the other Monarch counters.

Rangers' marksmen were Ken McFerran and Norman McDonald, each with two, and Ian Macintosh.

Victoria City and the Royals will meet in a division 4 match in the Juvenile Football League Saturday afternoon at the Athletic Park at 1.

## Navy-Army Ice Clubs Battle Here Monday

## Bluejackets Face Tough Schedule

That long-awaited hockey clash here between the Navy and Army clubs of the Pacific Coast Hockey Association will take place at the Willows Arena Monday night. Announcement of next week's schedule for the Coast League clubs yesterday by president Jack Ryan of Nanaimo has the Navy outfit playing three games in four days.

Tomorrow night the Navy and Victoria Machinery Depot will hook up for the second time this week with the face-off scheduled for 8:30. Monday evening the bluejackets marked up a 5 to 2 triumph in a rugged exhibition and tomorrow night's affair is expected to be just as tough.

Saturday night in Nanaimo the Navy and Army clubs will meet and after a day's rest will renew their feud at the local rink. Last season the Navy-Army battles were the highlight of the local hockey season and this year's games should prove just as thrilling. Both services are certain to have large rooting sections on hand and the arena is a cinch to present a packed appearance when the clubs step on the ice.

The complete schedule for next week follows:

Dec. 13—Navy vs. Army at Victoria.  
Dec. 13—St. Regis vs. R.C.A.F. at Vancouver.  
Dec. 16—R.C.A.F. vs. Army at Vancouver.  
Dec. 17—V.M.D. vs. St. Regis at Victoria.  
Dec. 18—C.P.A.L. vs. R.C.A.F. at New Westminster.  
Dec. 18—Army vs. St. Regis at Nanaimo.

## CALGARY TEAM'S VISIT

NANAIMO (CP)—"If plans now being given consideration—to have Calgary's Currie Barracks team of the Alberta Service Hockey League play a three-game series against service teams on the coast, are successful, the first game will be played at Nanaimo against Pacific Commanders on the afternoon of New Year's Day," Cliff Leslie, business manager for the Nanaimo-based Commanders, said Wednesday.

## No Hockey Practice

There will be no hockey practice at the Willows Arena tomorrow night, following the Coast League game, for juvenile members of the Victoria Minor Hockey Association.

## RACING RAISES \$4,200,000

NEW YORK (AP)—Racing has raised \$4,200,000 for war relief so far this year and expects the amount to grow another \$400,000 before Jan. 1, delegates to the annual meeting of the Thoroughbred Racing Associations of the United States were told Wednesday.

## R.A.F. Scores Easy Football Victory

Victoria soccer fans who turned out for Wednesday afternoon's exhibition match between the R.A.F. and a visiting Royal Navy eleven, saw the British air-men fire home 15 goals with their opponents getting only two. It was one of the most one-sided affairs in local football history and a big disappointment to the spectators.

Brumby scored four goals for the Flyers; Richman, Lowe and Winders each notched three, while Patterson and Braddock got the others. Bob Harris, Canadian Navy player, who filled in, scored one of the two for the losers and Boulton netted the other one.

## Yarrows Beat V.M.D.

Games Wednesday night in the City Basketball League resulted in Yarrows defeating the V.M.D. 28 to 20; K.V.'s turning back the Reds 37 to 6, and Units defeating the Rookies 34 to 19.

In minor division games Oak Bay beat the Combines 20 to 17, and Yarrows won from the Army by default.

Teams and scores follow:  
Yarrows—T. McKeachie, 2, Leung 5, A. McKeachie, McHattie 1, Bennett 3, Battle 3, Andrews 5, Soong 5, Webster 3.  
V.M.D.—Travis 8, Fruento 2, Perry, Work 1, Shillito 3, Strouger 6, Ricketts, Swanson.  
K.V.'s—McKay, Straith, Hampton 6, Dicks 2, Wood 4, Howell 9, Turner, Yardley 6, Johnston 5.  
Reds—Patterson 3, Waddington, Lamerton, Raftery 3, Sawyer.

Rookies—Lea 2, McAllister 4, LeLachur 1, Manton, Milliken 1, Kennedy 6, Coates 5, Levin, Di-Iorio.

Units—Smith 4, Cresson 4, Kennedy 10, Peden 12, Day 3, Richardson 1.

Combines—Scott 5, Morris 2, Gill 4, Stang 2, Gower 4, Cunningham.

Oak Bay—Denham 9, Kerr 2, Kinghorn 1, J. Milburn 4, G. Bilburn 4, Taylor, Travis, Hurn.

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6 cups water  
1 1/2 teaspoons celery salt  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1/2 teaspoon pepper  
1 medium sized onion, chopped  
1 tablespoon butter

**METHOD:** Place all the ingredients in a covered kettle, and boil for 15 minutes. Then reduce heat to medium and boil for 15 minutes more. If you prefer a very thick bean soup, boil an extra 5 to 10 minutes. This amount makes 6 big, delicious servings. Bean soup is appetizing and filling—grand as a main lunch dish, or as a hearty meatless meal special. Your family will want Bean Soup made with Van Camp's Quick Serve Beans often.

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1 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon pepper  
1/2 teaspoon mustard  
1 med. sized onion, chopped fine  
1 1/2 cups Van Camp's Tomato Juice  
1 1/2 cups water  
3 slices bacon  
1 12-oz. pkg. Van Camp's Quick Serve Beans

**METHOD:** Put water and tomato juice in casserole, add sugar, salt, pepper, mustard and onion and let come to a boil. Fry bacon and add bacon grease to other ingredients. Then pour in beans and place bacon on top. Cook in 450° oven for 20 minutes with cover on, then remove cover and cook another 10. If you prefer beans moister, cook longer with cover on, less time with cover off; reverse process to make beans drier. If no bacon is available, use 3 tablespoons drippings instead.

#### REAL HOME-BAKED BEANS WITH TOMATO SAUCE

2 slices bacon, or 2 tbsps. bacon drippings  
3 1/2 cups water  
1 12-oz. pkg. Van Camp's Quick Serve Beans  
4 tablespoons catsup  
4 tablespoons corn syrup, or 3 tablespoons brown sugar, or 3 tablespoons white sugar  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1/2 teaspoon pepper  
1 teaspoon dry mustard

**METHOD:** Fry bacon in pan large enough for all the above ingredients. Remove bacon. Place water, beans, corn syrup (or brown or white sugar), salt, pepper and mustard with bacon drippings in pan and bring to boil. Boil slowly 10 minutes, covered, on top of stove. Add catsup. Mix well and pour into baking dish, place bacon on top, bake 15 minutes with lid on in a hot oven (400-450 degrees F.), remove lid and bake another 5 minutes. Serves 6. If you prefer a meatless dish, omit bacon or drippings.

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For a change sometime, bake a bean loaf as you would a meat loaf. Start with 3 cups of baked beans prepared with Van Camp's Quick Serve Beans. Chop the beans very fine, or mash them with a potato masher. Add a chopped onion, 1/2 cup of milk, water, or liquid from the beans, a beaten egg, and a cup of bread crumbs. A little finely chopped celery is good, too. Season to taste with salt and pepper, and some dried herbs if you like. Mix well and shape into a loaf. Place in a shallow pan, pour a little melted fat over the top, and bake until well browned. Serve with hot tomato sauce.



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## Receive Certificates

Forty-five civil defence workers from Victoria and district organizations Tuesday night received from Mayor Andrew Mc Gavin certificates on completion of a special course in bomb reconnaissance conducted by Lieut. W. E. Warburton, R.C.E.

The wardens heard Mayor McGavin and Insp. S. F. M. Moodie of the Provincial Civilian Protection Committee.

regarding seriously the maintaining of adequate civil defence and military authorities had advised that certain areas of Canada be trained. This training must be along sound lines, he said.

Victoria section of B.C. Historical Association will meet in the Provincial Archives Friday evening at 8.30 when the program will be in charge of the Native Sons Post. Lawrence W. Westendahl will read a paper on "C. C. Pemberton, Native Son and Grand Historian."

## Search Mine Shafts For Missing Hunter; No Sign at River

SHAWNIGAN LAKE (Special) — Searchers for Kenneth Duncan, 21-year-old Victoria hunter, missing since Nov. 27, today investigated several old mine shafts in the Kinsol area.

Police officers directing the search felt there was a possibility that Duncan, lost in the woods after nightfall, might have stumbled into one of the old shafts. They described this possible solution of the mystery as unlikely, but, nevertheless, worthy of check-up.

Wednesday a dozen searchers combed three miles of the Kinsol River, when it was suggested that Duncan had drowned while attempting to cross the stream, swollen with autumn rains. No sign of the youth was found, although the searchers examined both banks and all the log jams.

Next week-end it is expected at least 100 hunters who have stalked deer in the Silver Mine Trail area will join in the search. Plans are being mapped out now to make the search as effective as possible.

Duncan, who was employed by V.M.D. in Victoria, disappeared about 3.30 on the afternoon of Nov. 27. He had been hunting with Claude Collington previous to leaving a base cabin on the Silver Mine Trail alone.

## Oak Bay Election Offers One Contest

Regarding Oak Bay nominations for office of reeve, police commissioner, and councillors, for which Dec. 13 is the final filing day, R. F. Blandy, municipal clerk, reported at Wednesday's council meeting that unless additional aspirants file papers during the next five days, most positions will be filled by acclamation. Reeve W. L. Woodhouse, Police Commissioner J. V. Johnson, P. A. Molr, A. Peden are all seeking re-election.

Four candidates have assured an election for the school board. At present on the board are Mrs. M. A. Beckwith, Colin T. Martin, and S. L. Wilson, the latter, the only one whose term expires this month, filing nomination papers for re-election. Others contesting the single vacancy are R. N. Collinson, R. M. Lockhead and R. S. Yates, three newcomers to municipal politics.

Polling day in Oak Bay is Saturday, Dec. 18. Citizens of Oak Bay must buy dog licenses at the first of the year or be subject to prosecution. The Oak Bay council decided Wednesday night in passing a by-law to tighten regulations dealing with dogs.

The council decided to proceed with the Explanade sewerage scheme as a sanitation measure under the Local Improvements Act. Mr. Blandy made the report. Authorization for the sale of two lots was granted, but a proposal to rearrange certain lots at the south end of the Uplands was vetoed, as this measure would not bring the properties within the 100-foot minimum required by law.

Municipal engineer was authorized to submit a report to the Dominion government regarding property of Oak Bay waterfront for postwar project.

Lack of street lighting in some sections of the Uplands during early winter mornings, of which H. W. Miller complained, will be investigated. The council passed a resolution granting usual Christmas assistance for social service cases.

Two motorists were fined \$2.50 each today for overparking.

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Discovery evidence of W. B. Monteith was read to court. Irving Strickland, Times cameraman, gave evidence on information he had received from the police.

Kenneth Drury, Times editor, was on the stand at the luncheon adjournment.

## TOWN TOPICS

All former members of the Victoria Girls' Drill Team residing in the city are requested to get in touch with Norman Foster, E 7191, as soon as possible, in connection with the sixth anniversary exercises on Dec. 16.

Condition of Lorna A. Houlton, who suffered serious head injuries in a fall at a downtown hotel early Sunday morning, was unchanged today. St. Joseph's Hospital authorities said. Miss Houlton has failed to gain consciousness since the fall.

Victoria's reconditioned 15-ton garbage truck, equipped with mechanical devices to compress garbage and to discharge refuse, is now on its way from Vancouver. The carrier has been rebuilt at a cost of approximately \$5,000. It should arrive Friday morning.

A collision at Hillside Avenue and Quadra Street at 11.50 Wednesday night, between a car driven by Alfred E. Jones, 1013 Hillside, and a bus driven by Joseph A. Patterson, Royal Oak, caused considerable damage to both vehicles. Police reported the car failed to stop at the stop sign.

Joseph Aloysius Weydert pleaded not guilty in court Wednesday to a charge of neglecting to attend militia parade Nov. 25. The accused, admitting he failed to attend parade, said he was working from 6 in the morning to 9 at night since his father, a farmer, had been injured. The case was adjourned until next Wednesday, Magistrate H. C. Hall announcing he would permit the prosecution to present rebuttal evidence.

Cpl. W. C. Mattis, 11 Provost Company, reported to city police Wednesday afternoon that a tire, wheel and rim were stolen from the carpenter's shop at Work Point Barracks, Stanley Leopold 741 Ralph, reported theft of a bicycle from 999 Darwin Road, and J. Freethy, 1216 Styles, reported loss of a gas ration book. Father F. J. Matt told police of finding a bicycle at the rear of the Chinese Mission, 852 North Park Street, Wednesday afternoon. Police reported damage to a 1-hour parking sign in front of 511 Cormorant Street.

## Substantial Vote Being Polled Today

Victoria electors were rolling up a substantial vote today, with queues formed at each polling booth at 1. Voters are choosing a mayor, aldermen and school trustees and answering questions in plebiscites covering chlorination and the police commission. By noon 1,550 had exercised the franchise. On the basis of other years, the major part of the vote had still to come in the afternoon.

The City Market Building, where polling continues until 7, was exceptionally cold, with workers who were able to leave their posts warming themselves periodically at red-hot heaters. Officials reported Mrs. Mabel Burnie, 2596 Empire Street, the first woman to exercise her franchise today, while W. T. Strath, M.L.A., a former school trustee and alderman, led the parade of men to the polling booths. No incidents of an unusual character were reported, although certain scrutineers were exercising challenges of voters to a greater extent than usual.

## Mitchell Sues Times For Character Damage

William Mitchell, suing the Times Printing and Publishing Co. Ltd. for a reference in the weekly news letter for overseas forces of June 19, which, he claims, was injurious to his character, said in his examination for discovery his only complaint lay in the suggestion police had been seeking him for weeks.

The plaintiff, who was acquitted following trial on a charge of murder arising from the Molly Justice slaying, said that statement inferred he was a fugitive from justice.

Placed on the stand today by P. J. Sinnott, his counsel, Mitchell started to enumerate the issues which he thought injured him. He was stopped on the objection of H. W. Davey, counsel for the Times, whose protest was sustained by Mr. Justice Bird.

Mr. Davey questioned Mitchell on the dates he appeared in police court at his preliminary hearing, eliciting the fact a statutory boy-sex charge against him had not been withdrawn until after the murder charge was laid.

Sgt. Eric Elwell, Saanich police, testified he had conducted investigations into the Molly Justice murder, had "fished" for many clues and had been assisted by the Times in efforts to solve the mystery.

Discovery evidence of W. B. Monteith was read to court. Irving Strickland, Times cameraman, gave evidence on information he had received from the police.

Kenneth Drury, Times editor, was on the stand at the luncheon adjournment.



Dyson Carter, Canadian scientist, will speak in the Royal Victoria Theatre, Dec. 10, on "Science and Mankind."

## Russian Brides Home With Canadian Mates

Four Russian brides of Canadian citizens, and three children all under three years of age, have arrived with a second party of repatriates from the exchange ship Gripsholm.

They included Mrs. Ena Smith and Mrs. Sandra Smith, Russian citizens who both married Canadian citizens in the Shanghai police force. They shrugged off their two years in Japanese camps, and enthused over the treatment they had received both from Swedish neutrals and their new Canadian countrymen.

Mrs. Ena Smith, wife of R. E. Smith, Victoria, told how she conducted classes in her native language for English-speaking engineers, technicians and merchants. Her cousin is the wife of A. W. Smith, and had with her her 2½-year-old daughter.

R. E. Smith is still interned, but Alexander was allowed to return with the party and will soon come from Montreal to join his family in Victoria.

Mrs. Alexander Smith would not discuss her internment camp experiences beyond saying: "We were not ill-treated, and we were left alone, so we all did the best we could for ourselves. Anything in way of extras which came along we saw that the children got."

## R.A.F. Boys Climb Mount Angeles

"Got your manifest? How much Canadian money? That's much too much too much too much! Yes, 08.30, Saturday. Got your '48 fixed? How about that Supplementary Pay Parade? Paid your \$10? What number's your rucksack? Yes, you can take the camera, but don't use it on the boat."

Thus begins the account in the December Patricia of the R.A.F. Mountaineering Club's visit to Port Angeles during which members climbed Mount Angeles.

"At 1,200 feet we rose out of the mist and found it clear at our cabin camp, Heat of the Hills. Members of the Klahhane Club met us after dinner and we saw colored movies of the Olympic National Park and danced to a hill-billy band. The trail through the forest was followed by snow and rock as we climbed, finally reaching the second peak at 6,200 feet—our highest yet. We could see Mount Baker gleaming in the sunlight and glimpsed Port Angeles and the coast through the clouds below.

"Descending the snow slope, the Department of Utter Confusion took over, and this reporter had a few seconds of air-speed in a prone position. After dinner we saw movies made by a club member and went to bed just in time to get up at 5 for our return.

"Some of us cast threatening glances at Mount Baker on these trips—others hastily look the other way."

The Patricia also prints pictures of Dean Park and a tribute to it and its founder, the late John Dean.

## New B.C. Companies

New companies incorporated at the Parliament Buildings in recent days include the following:

Groat Trucking Co. Ltd., \$35,000, Chilliwack; Hasler Creek Coal Ltd., 100,000 shares N.P.V., Dawson Creek; Fisher Truck Lines Limited, \$10,000, Vancouver; Dawson Creek Holding Co. Ltd., \$5,000, Dawson Creek; Beban Towing Co. Ltd., \$10,000, Nanaimo; Rupert Wood Company Limited, \$10,000, Prince Rupert. Extra-provincially registered was Dease Lake, Cassiar Mines Limited, 1,600,000 shares N.P.V., head office in Whitecourt, Ont.; head B.C. office in Vancouver.

## Immunizing Colds May Avert Threat Of Flu Epidemic

Hope that Victoria's present epidemic of bad colds "will immunize us from influenza when it comes," was voiced by one medical man today as upper respiratory infections, commonly called colds or flu, made moderate progress in this area.

There is a general feeling that the present outbreak of colds may be a forerunner of an influenza epidemic, but at the moment reports from health officers throughout B.C. do not show any unusual increase in flu. Dr. G. F. Amyot, provincial health officer, said today.

"There has been the usual seasonal increase in upper respiratory infections, which include the common cold, sore throat and possibly influenza," Dr. Amyot said. "It should be emphasized that the common cold, sore throat and influenza are communicable diseases and therefore every precaution by individuals should be taken to avoid becoming infected."

"If one should become infected then it is his duty to prevent the spread of infection to others. Stay at home, go to bed and call your physician if necessary. It is the responsibility of the family physician to order any special treatment required. Early precautions and care will hasten early recovery. Overfatigue and disregard of precautions may lead to serious complications. The avoidance of crowds as far as possible is the best preventive."

At the hospitals a number of cases of bad colds were reported. School officials said absenteeism among teachers and children has been higher than usual. But the major shipyards, V.M.D. and Yarrows Ltd. registered no noticeable drop in attendance at work.

City health officer, Dr. Richard Felton, said no definite cases of influenza had been listed recently, but noted it was one of the diseases rarely reported. He drew a distinction between influenza and the heavy colds now prevalent.

School officials said cases coming to their notice did not appear to be serious, the average absence of a teacher or student affected being about two days.

Personnel heads at the Victoria Machinery Depot Ltd. said only 12 high temperatures had been reported during December. In some cases men and women suffering had gone home. In others they had asked for aspirin and gone on with the job.

Yarrows Ltd. said a few workers were away, but their numbers were not unusual.

Among those who have suffered from high temperatures, aches of the body and the customary sore throat and running nose, administration of sulfa drugs seems to have been highly effective. That treatment, however, can be instituted only on the recommendation of a physician, who gives each patient individual study.

## Arbitration Report Extends Rights

Civic employees of Vancouver will have complete authority to deal with all matters affecting their working conditions if a majority report of an arbitration board set up by the Minister of Labor under the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act is accepted by the disputing parties.

The majority report includes in the term "all working conditions," the matter of promotions, discharges and new employment. Forming the majority of the board were J. Howard Harman, Victoria, chairman, and George Gerrard, representing the civic employees of Vancouver.

Dugald Donaghy, K.C., representing Vancouver City, filed a minority report. He agreed with Mr. Harman and Mr. Gerrard in all matters except that the civic employees should have a say in promotions, discharges and new employment.

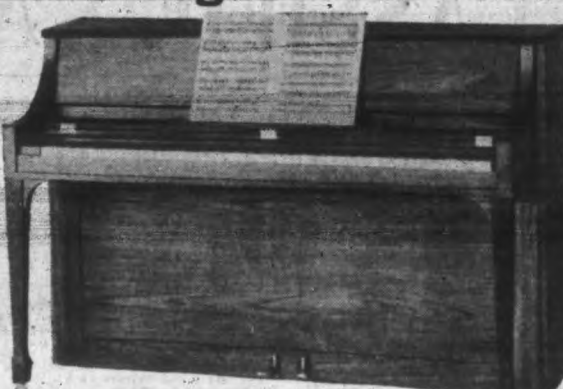
The effect of its recommendations, the majority of the board points out, "is to grant complete union recognition to the Civic Federation of Vancouver." If they are accepted, the majority feels, they will serve to remove "the existing causes of friction" between the city and certain of its employees in the City Hall, on outside staffs and in the fire department.

## Picture of Victoria In Cairo Club

"In the airman's club here, in Cairo, is a fine picture of Victoria Harbor and the Empress Hotel," writes P.O. Bruce Grant, R.C.A.F., to Dr. Cecl French. "Every time I see it, it reminds me of the wonderful time my friends and I had in Victoria three or four years ago."

Dr. French recalled today that he had entertained the fliers and took them up Mt. Tormie, where they marveled at the panorama.

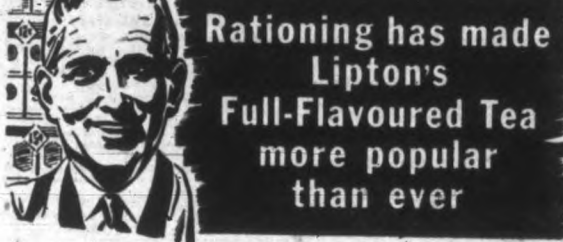
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## Soviets Threaten Encirclement Of Large Nazi Force

MOSCOW (AP) — Smashing Red Army gains which outflanked the strategic Dnieper bend railway centre of Znamenska and severed the important Znamenska-Nikolaev railroad today threatened encirclement of tens of thousands of Germans concentrated on the west bank of the lower Dnieper River.

Russian tank forces spearheading infantry columns outflanked Znamenska by capturing Sharovka, 15 miles to the south, after a swift 15-mile advance from Pantaveka, a Soviet communication announced. Soviet troops also cut a branch of the Znamenska-Nikolaev road running eastward to the iron and manganese centre of Krivoy Rog, which the Germans have been tenaciously holding for weeks against repeated Russian thrusts.

## ONE ESCAPE ROUTE

Today the Germans held but one rail-escape route from Znamenska, a line running west to Kirovograd, and this was threatened by Wednesday's capture of Elizavetgrad, 13 miles northeast of Znamenska and five miles north of the Kirovograd spur.

In the bitter cold of the Russian winter troops of Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's 1st Ukrainian Army in the Kiev bulge north of Chernykhov were falling back before a strong German drive which front line dispatches said was powered by upwards of 2,000 heavy tanks. It was the second Russian retreat in this sector in two days.

## Ward 4, Conservatives, Saanich, Elect Officers

Arthur Frayne was elected president of Ward Four, Saanich Progressive Conservative Association at the annual meeting in Marigold Hall Wednesday night. John Bracken, leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada and Hon. R. L. Maitland, K.C., Attorney-General of British Columbia, were elected honorary presidents.

Other officers were chosen as follows: 1st vice-president, G. Mayfield; 2nd vice-president, George Eve; secretary-treasurer, Miss M. Watling; executive: H.

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## Funeral Notice

All members of Victoria Aerio No. 13, Fraternal Order of Eagles, are requested to meet at the B.C. Funeral Parlor, 734 Broughton Street, on Friday, Dec. 10, at 2 p.m., to attend the funeral of our late brother, H. W. Simmons.

W. BRIDGEMAN, President.  
JAS. WILMSHURST, Secretary.

W. Barwick, F. H. Fink, Mrs. H. Bell, Miss W. Seymour, and E. Lawrence.

## Councillor Hadfield Seeking Re-election

Councillor T. Hadfield announces he will be a candidate again for the Esquimalt Council. He has been 21 years in public office with 15 years' continuous service on Esquimalt Council, for the last seven years being chairman of the finance committee.

Re-elect Ald. T. W. Hawkins to City Council.

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## Letters to the Editor

Correspondents are reminded to use the name of the paper only, to write briefly, and to keep their communications within a reasonable length. A short letter, with a point convincingly emphasized, has a better chance of publication than one with several statements.

### CANADIANS IN R.A.F.

Your contributor, Nancy Hodges, in her article in your issue of Dec. 1, headed "Canadians Were There," tells us that Canadian pride has been affronted by the publication of the news that Canadian bombers took part in the big attack on Berlin.

But had no mention been made of Canadian participation that, too, would have provoked annoyance, and Canadian pride would have been affronted. So it would seem Britain would have been wrong either way, at least in some people's eyes.

A great deal of "blat" emanated from Ottawa some time ago of "Canadianizing" the R.C.A.F. Just what this meant very few people knew, least of all Ottawa. Presumably this metamorphosis is now officially accomplished, and all the fine boys who went over in spite of Ottawa's objections in 1939-40, have been "induced" to transfer from the R.A.F. to the Canadianized R.C.A.F., especially those who have achieved fame.

So one naturally asks why

cannot this sovereign state of Canada, with its own navy, army and air force, release its own news of its bombers' activities to press and radio as and when these forays occur. We really should not expect Britain to attend to Canada's press releases. She is fully occupied, and has been during the past four years, doing much of Canada's share of the fighting and dying.

Mrs. Hodges finishes by saying that the people of Britain are grateful to Canada for all the help, etc., etc. I think that it is the people of Canada who should be eternally grateful to Britain for all she has done, and is doing, for them.

Canada today would be a German "colony" had Britain surrendered in 1940.

W. F. HART.  
East Sooke, Dec. 4.

### BEER AND LIQUOR RATIONS

I notice recently the government has been very generous to drinkers of beer, giving them an extra allowance. But so far the liquor drinker gets nothing extra, if he is not a beer drinker also. I wonder why.

In view of the fact the beer drinker can get a glass of beer or as many as he likes every day in the beer parlors all through the month, why shouldn't the same privilege be extended to persons who drink liquor, who only get one bottle a month, which can be used up in one night if he has visitors? Why not allow at least two 40-ounce of liquor a month or four 26-ounce a month to those who don't buy beer?

## SIDE GLANCES



"No, you can't wear your Army pack to the store—I've got eggs on the grocery list, and last time you squashed six wrestling with Japs!"

Why not equal rights for all?

L. J. WALSHE.  
512 Macaulay St., Esquimalt,  
Nov. 30.

## By Galbraith

numbers of roses grew on the island, and sailors said they could smell the sweet scent for miles before they came into port.

(For travel or history section of your scrapbook.)

### 80,000 Landing Craft

WASHINGTON (AP)—The U.S. navy disclosed Wednesday that its construction program calls for 80,000 landing craft of all types, of which about 25,000 already have been completed.

## Jap Attempt to Save Marshall Islands Costs 6 More Ships

PEARL HARBOR (AP)—Japan's hard hit navy and air force, trying to bolster the Marshall Islands against possible invasion by Allied forces on the adjacent

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Gilbert Islands, have lost six more ships and 72 more planes. Admiral Chester W. Nimitz announced U.S. carrier task forces raked the enemy-held island group last Saturday in a moonlight attack, sank two light cruisers, one oil tanker and three cargo transports, downed 72 Japanese planes which rose to intercept the attackers, and then beat off a seven and a half hour

assault by heavy torpedo bombers as the task forces left the scene.

One United States ship was slightly damaged, Nimitz said, and light aircraft losses were sustained.

In addition to the six Japanese ships sunk, Nimitz said a troop transport and two cargo ships were damaged.

By Hal Cochran

### First Aid for Santa



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## Uncle Ray

### Island of Rhodes Carries Memory of Many Nations

Near the eastern end of the Mediterranean, close to the coast of Turkey, lies the island of Rhodes. With an area of 842 square miles, it is the largest of the Dodecanese islands.

Until lately, Rhodes was owned by Italy. Who owns it now is a question. When Italy stopped fighting on Germany's side, it was allowed to fall into the hands of the Germans. At the close of the present war, it very likely will be turned over to Turkey or Greece.

Looking at the record, Rhodes seems to have been falling into the hands of one power or another all through the ages. It was settled by Greek colonists more than 2,500 years ago. Later it came under the rule of various countries and "city-states." Persians, Romans, Crusaders and Turks are among those who have held it at one time or another.



Rhodes is 45 miles long, and its width at one place is 22 miles. If we could visit it today, we could find some old walls around the capital, walls which were built about 600 years ago. We could also see a few other remains of the past, but the things which are there now give little idea of its glory in ancient times.

The Greeks of long ago made Rhodes a place of importance. It became a centre of trade and a centre of learning. The people—sometimes called "Rhodians"—built a large fleet, and some of them went forth to start new colonies. There were Rhodian colonies on the mainland of Asia Minor, also in Italy and Sicily.

On the eastern side of the island, the Rhodians set up a large and beautiful city. It, too, was called Rhodes.

In the city of Rhodes a great number of sculptors carried on their art. They made statues from both marble and metal. One record tells of 3,000 statues being made there, 100 of them being of extra-large size. Largest of all these statues was the famous Colossus of Rhodes, of which I shall tell more in our next story.

The name of Rhodes is believed to have come from the Greek word "rhodon," which means "rose." In ancient times, large

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